

## UPBEAT AWARDS NIGHT

May 13, 2007, 2:51 pm

# Awards Evening

Relegation must be good for the soul as rarely, if ever, has the Club's annual Awards Evening been so well attended with the Coles Park clubhouse scarcely able to cope with the crush. The prevailing mood was most definitely NOT one of gloom and doom - and nor should it have been with the Clubs plans for a better and exciting future taking shape. As Chairman Aki Achillea said, the First Team although obviously the flag-ship is not the be all and end all of the Club and while its relegation is hardly something to be welcomed neither is it the end of the world. The fruits of the Youth set-up now being painstakingly constructed under the guidance of Youth Head of Development Raki Hudson should be ever more in evidence as the years go by and players who have developed an affinity with the Club over many years reach the age to move into Senior football.

- Congratulations to the individual award winners for 2006/07 who were:-

### PLAYERS PLAYER OF THE SEASON

First Team - Jamie Brown

Midweek Team - Abu Umar

Under 16s - (Jointly) Chinua Phinn-Archer and Lawrence Hayes

Women - Nichola Cable

### MOST IMPROVED PLAYER

First Team - Daniel Tulloch

Midweek Team - (Jointly) Gary Silva and Edison Brahimi

Women - Stacey Cable

### TOP GOALSCORER

First Team - Calvin Petrie

Midweek Team - Daneil Iroegbu

Under 16s - Harley Smee

Women - Nichola Cable

### MANAGERS PLAYER OF THE SEASON

First Team - Lloyd Mitchell

Midweek Team - Luke Kavanagh

Under 18s - Sam Joiner

Under 16s - Gustavo Angel

Women - Karla Parker

### SPECIAL AWARD FOR CLUB'S GOAL OF THE SEASON

Kieran Smith of the Under 16s for the 4th, and effectively clinching, goal in the League Cup semi-final against London Tigers

## No Double For Under 16s

May 6, 2007, 8:58 pm

Haringey Borough 3 - 5 Pinnacle

Haringey Borough lost in the Harrow Youth League Cup Final against Premier Division side Pinnacle at North Greenford United FC. In a game full of crazy refereeing decision, 8 goals were scored of which 5 in all were the result of dodgy free kick and penalty decisions.

Match Report on Fixtures Page Now.

This disappointing result, where Haringey will feel as though they should have won, should not detract from what has been an outstanding season. Going into the cup final Haringey had already secured the League Championship without losing a game in what has been their first season together, and played some great football along the way. This group of players will continue to grow and develop into next season with much potential to look forward to.

## **MORE YOUTH NEWS!!!**

This Thursday we are holding trials for our new U13s and U14s teams for next season. This is an open trial for any children currently in years 7 and 8 at School (going into years 8 and 9).

The trial is Thursday 10th May 5-7pm at Coles Park (look at 'find us' page)

For more information please email the Head of Youth Development.

### **NO WALK IN THE PARADISE GARDEN FOR BOROUGH**

*Apr 28, 2007, 6:29 pm*

Having dragged themselves to the very brink of salvation last week, Borough ended the season with a disastrous display at Royston Town's leafy Garden Walk ground. With the loser doomed to finish in a relegation spot it was the home team who showed the greater passion and determination throughout and sadly the 5-1 scoreline which lifted them above Borough cannot even be described as flattering. Worse was to follow after the match when news was received of Holmer Green's goal-less draw at Chalfont St. Peter which pushed Borough into the rock bottom position. Only some extraordinary good fortune in the shape of the FAs League restructuring can now save Borough from relegation to Division 1 but that possibility is remote in the extreme as with so many teams in the Spartan South Midlands catchment area being relegated from Step 4 any re-structuring this year is likely to have an adverse effect on Borough's chances and probably on Royston Town's (who would have saved themselves but for Holmer Green's point) as well.

### **BOROUGH'S FATE BACK IN THEIR OWN HANDS**

*Apr 21, 2007, 9:47 pm*

By winning their vital home game against Biggleswade Town on Saturday Borough have climbed out of the bottom two and have the opportunity to stay there by winning their final game at current bottom Club Royston Town who by winning could save themselves if other results went their way. A win for Borough will guarantee safety and a draw would be enough provided Holmer Green do not win at Chalfont St. Peter. But defeat for Borough would leave them either bottom or next to it. The other Clubs in danger are Biggleswade Town who entertain Aylesbury Vale and St. Margaretsbury who visit Leverstock Green.

The foot of the table with one game to be played by each Club next Saturday reads

St Margaretsbury	37 points	Goal Difference -14
Biggleswade Town	36	-28
Haringey Borough	35	-31
Holmer Green	35	-42
Royston Town	33	-62

### **CUP FINAL FOR BOROUGH**

*Apr 19, 2007, 12:52 am*

The Under 16s reached the Harrow Youth League Cup Final in a thrilling semi-final match which attracted what was the highest attendance of the season to Coles Park yesterday evening. Borough took an early two goal lead but London Tigers fought back superbly and Borough led by only 2-1 at the interval. After going 3-1 ahead and then being pegged back to 3-2 Borough made the game safe with what was probably the best goal scored this season by any of the Boroughs teams - Keiran Smith being the marksman. It was a fiercely competitive game played in a superbly sporting spirit with all the players of both sides being a credit to themselves, their Clubs and their Managers/Coaches. The final will be on May 6th - opponents as yet unknown - at the Berkeley Fields Stadium of North Greenford United FC - kick off at noon. Watch this site for further details.

## IMPORTANT NEW YOUTH APPOINTMENT

Apr 2, 2007, 7:28 pm

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*Haringey Borough FC are delighted to announce the appointment of RAKATAHR ("Raki" ) HUDSON as their*

### HEAD OF YOUTH DEVELOPMENT.

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Although still only 21, Raki has been associated with the Club for many years both as a player and also Manager and Coach of a number of their teams. This season he has, together with his Assistant Ben Corbyn, led the Club's Under 16s to the Division One title in the Harrow Youth League which has been secured with an unbeaten record and still with two games to play. The team is also in the semi-final of the League Cup and to complete the League and Cup double would be the icing on the cake and a wonderful start to the Club's Centenary Year.

Raki is currently finishing a diploma in Sports Science, before taking a degree in Football Studies starting in September. He holds the FA level 1 Coaching qualification and is in the process of attaining level 2. He now plays his football at Step 3 in the National League Pyramid system for the famous Rymans League Premier Division side, Hendon FC.

Haringey Borough FC is also very happy to have entered into a Partnership with Woodside High School located just some 500 yards from the Club's Coles Park Stadium in White Hart Lane which will ensure that promising young local players will have an established link to progress smoothly into the top echelons of Youth Football when they leave school and for those with outstanding talent and determination to break through into the semi-professional game and, perhaps, ultimately into the full time professional ranks.

Club Chairman, Aki Achillea, said " These are exciting times for Haringey Borough Football Club; we have worked very hard behind the scenes to secure a structure for the enhancement of facilities that we can offer the youth of Haringey. We will be running at least 5 youth sides next season along with our total commitment to the Women's team which is going from strength to strength every season. Additionally we have created a settled first team and Midweek League team and with the prospect of the Youth team players stepping up annually the future for the club will be secured for many years to come. The plans for a redevelopment of our ground are well advanced and Haringey Borough Football Club will become a focal point for the community and the youth of

Haringey and I wish to thank the hardworking committee members and the Council for their support in helping the club realise their ambitions and potential"

*Mar 25, 2007, 11:47 pm*

BOROUGH secured their first silverware of the season on Sunday 25th March when their unbeaten in the League Under 16 team drew 2-2 away to Wealdstone, their last remaining challengers, to clinch the Divisional Championship of the Harrow Youth League Division 1

They will be hoping to complete their remaining three League matches unbeaten and to add the League Cup to their silverware as they have already reached the semi-final stage.

Congratulations to Team Manager/Coach Raki Hudson and his Assistant Ben Corbyn and all the lads who have played so consistently throughout the season to earn this success

#### **SPONSORSHIP FOR WOMENS TEAM**

*Mar 18, 2007, 10:16 pm*

The Club is delighted to confirm the sponsorship of its Womens team by "P H D" of Harrow (PLUMBING AND HEATING DIRECT) who have generously supplied 22 Training Tops and Kit bags for each player as well as a supply of balls and a ball bag.

All members are urged to consider PHD whenever need for the type of service they provide is encountered.

#### **GREAT BOROUGH FIGHTBACK PRESERVES FA CUP PLACE**

*Aug 18, 2007, 7:39 pm*

### ***BOROUGH GOING TO WEMBLEY***

.....on Tuesday 21st August to the Vale Farm Stadium of Wembley FC. Superb late strikes from Mark Maher and Ronardson Obinna secured this FA Cup Extra Preliminary Round Replay after Borough had gone in 2 down at the interval.

#### **FLYING START TO NEW SEASON**

*Aug 11, 2007, 8:22 pm*

Borough started the new season in the Spartan South Midlands First Division in fine style. A blistering start saw them take the lead within the first two minutes of the opening game of the season against visiting Arlesey Athletic. The first goal came from Melvin THOMPSON after some good build-up play around the box. The second goal was soon to follow this time by Jamaal DUNCAN in the 9<sup>th</sup> minute after beating two opponents. The score was made 3-0 on the half-hour by a diving header from Omar Yaseen OMAR from Thompsons wide free-kick.

Arlesey Athletic hit back in the second half with a fine long shot by Lee SHADBROOK to make the score 3-1. Haringey stepped up a gear and it was only a matter of time before they scored again which they did when Jamaal DUNCAN netted his second of the game scoring from a narrow angle to drive the ball past the goalkeeper.

Haringey were then reduced to 10 men when Wayne Grant was sent off for a second bookable offence on the hour mark which limited Borough's opportunities to further increase the score-line.

An all round good opening day performance for a Borough team showing lots of promise.

See Fixtures & Results page for Borough Line up

## BOROUGH WIN THEIR CENTENARY CUP

*Aug 4, 2007, 8:23 pm*

A looping header from defender Andy Stokes midway through the second half was the only goal of the game with London Colney as Borough secured the one-off trophy to celebrate 100 years of existence. Full Match report on Fixtures & Results page.

Prior to the match the Borough's Under 17s had turned in a fine performance to beat visiting Millwall Albion 3-0 in their Friendly.

## 100 YEARS AND STILL GOING STRONG

*Jul 31, 2007, 1:32 am*

# **CENTENARY CELEBRATION**

2007 sees Haringey Borough celebrating its 100th birthday. The Club now playing at Coles Park is - following a history of breakaways, name changes, re-unifications and mergers - effectively the Club which began life in 1907 as TUFNELL PARK FC in the London League. Other names from its past history are Wood Green Town, Tufnell Park (Edmonton), Edmonton, Edmonton and Haringey with the name HARINGEY BOROUGH finally being adopted in the mid 1970's.

This coming Saturday, August 4th (3.30pm), Borough will be playing a pre-season match at Coles Park against LONDON COLNEY - another Club celebrating its centenary this year. At stake will be THE CENTENARY CUP.

SPARTAN SOUTH MIDLANDS LEAGUE CHAIRMAN PAT BURNS and TREASURER TONY FORRESTER will attend as League Representatives and present Borough with its commemorative Centenary award.

A big turnout is hoped for and we would like to see a lot of names from our past and in particular former Haringey Borough players and those who played for its earlier component teams.

Before the main event at 3.30pm there will be the chance to see Borough's stars of the future when this seasons Under 17/18 team - mostly consisting of last seasons unbeaten in the Harrow Youth League Under 16 team when they take the field for an earlier match at 12.30pm against the Under 17s of Millwall Albion.

Admission will be free Bar and refreshments available throughout

While Borough have never really hit the heights - although they were beaten FA Amateur Cup Finalists in 1921 - it is to the credit of the many

dedicated people who have kept the Club going through some very difficult times that it is still very much alive and planning for a better future with no less than 9 teams being fielded next season. Other illustrious names from the Non-League scene have risen to the top and then crashed out of existence, Walthamstow Avenue and Colne Dynamos immediately spring to mind, while unfashionable Clubs such as Borough, run by people who really love the game, struggle on determinedly and overcome all setbacks.

### HISTORY REPEATS ITSELF IN LONDON SENIOR CUP !!

*Jul 27, 2007, 12:49 pm*

#### *TOUGH DRAW FOR BOROUGH IN COUNTY CUP*

Unlucky Borough have been drawn away to the same Club that eliminated them from last seasons competition in the first round of the London Senior Cup - ROMFORD of the Essex Senior League.

Last years game was a real thriller with Borough fighting back from two first half goals to lose 2-1 and rather unluckily failing to force at least extra time.

If they survive this tough test they will entertain fellow Spartan South Midlands Leaguers HODDESDON TOWN in the 2nd Round and success in that game would then see them visiting WINGATE & FINCLEY of Rymans Division 1 North where victory would send them on the road to CRAY WANDERERS of Rymans Division 1 South in a bid to reach the Quarter final

The complete draw can be viewed on the London FA website (see LINKS page)

### BOROUGH WOMEN SECURE NATIONAL TROPHY

*Jul 16, 2007, 11:57 pm*

**The HARINGEY BOROUGH WOMEN players representing East London as "HFC" (see News Article of June 11th for earlier background) - a "Kick it Out" initiative - duly brought the Winners trophy back from the National Finals in Manchester on 15th July**

The following is an edited extract from the BBC sport website (link below for full report)

[http://news.bbc.co.uk/sport1/hi/football/your\\_game/6250470.stm#Teams](http://news.bbc.co.uk/sport1/hi/football/your_game/6250470.stm#Teams) .

#### **London teams top of "Your Game "**

***"Your Game" is a partnership between the BBC and the Football Foundation, with support from Barclays Spaces for Sports.***

In the women's final, HFC from East London triumphed 3-1 over Wirral Ladies thanks to two sensational strikes from player-of-the-match Sarah Jane 'Minnie' Cleary.

Despite the typically Mancunian weather, 40 teams who qualified from regional finals around England failed to let the rain dampen their spirits in a hotly-contested tournament.

The Match of the Day cameras made the occasion the biggest of its kind with commentary, post-match interviews and analysis from pundits all beamed onto the big screens around the venue.

More than 500 people crammed into the Sports City arena in the shadow of Manchester City's home ground

The women's final was a tight affair but the difference was provided by Cleary who gave a defending masterclass of which former German captain Franz Beckenbauer would have been proud.

Having carved out the early chances, Wirral Ladies were unlucky to find themselves 1-0 down after a low shot from HFC found the corner.

The Merseyside team's resolute defence, which conceded just one goal in reaching the final, was relieved when the team equalised with a strike the HFC keeper failed to hold.

But with time running out and the game deadlocked, Cleary began to forage from the back like a sweeper of old and struck home with what looked like a deflected shot.

If that was fortunate, her next strike had her team-mates in raptures as she again produced a strong challenge in her own half, only to see the ball ricochet into the net.

Wirral Ladies were heartbroken as the final whistle blew.

But among the extreme effort, it was ironic that the nature of Cleary's two strikes belied her coolness under pressure. Indeed, she was more nervous when she watched the team's performance on the big screen afterwards.

"It's good to be the champions and we'll be back next year with a bit more confidence," she said.

"When you're playing you don't notice the cameras but when they are asking you questions you get a bit shaky. The whole Match of the Day set-up made us feel special."

## BOROUGH DO WELL IN FIRST SUMMER TOURNAMENTS

Jun 11, 2007, 10:24 pm

### SEMI-FINALISTS IN ENFIELD TOWN'S TOURNAMENT

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*BOROUGH WOMEN entered two sides into what is probably the biggest and best 5 a side Tournament in the London area on 17th June and are delighted that one of our teams reached the semi-final stage before going down by 1-0 to Bristol Academy - a national League side. However, expectations have been raised to such an extent by previous success (see below) that this not inconsiderable achievement almost feels like failure !!*

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## **BOROUGH WOMEN ON THE RAMPAGE !!** **NATIONAL FINAL APPEARANCE COMING UP**

A team of HARINGEY BOROUGH WOMEN playing under the name of HFC and representing a "KICK IT OUT" initiative in East London has reached the National Final of the "Your Game 2007" Tournament comprehensively winning the East London "leg" of the Tournament at the Leyton Orient Community Centre. They will now go on to appear in the National Finals in Manchester on July 15th.

Our 5 superstars were Aimee Smith (goalkeeper), Stacey Cable, Jade Thirkettle, Carrie-Anne Layton and Sarah Cleary who also won the "Five Live" best Individual Player Award and the trophy for the "hardest shot" with a 58mph rocket.

Below is an edited extract from the BBCs website.

*"Your Game" is a partnership between the BBC and the Football Foundation, with support from Barclays Spaces for Sports.*

HFC dominate in East London

**A hat-trick from striker Carrie-Anne helped HFC to a commanding 6-0 victory over Bethwin A to claim the women's trophy at Your Game East London.**



HFC, representing a Kick it Out initiative in Hackney, produced a string of scintillating performances at the Leyton Orient Community Complex to stake their claim as potential champions at the national finals next month.

HFC only conceded one goal during the whole tournament

HFC had only conceded one goal on their way to the final, which they dominated from the first whistle.

Star player Sarah added two goals, one a superb finish from a mazy dribble while Jade added the other goal courtesy of a powerful long range strike.

HFC will be joined at the national finals by Brent Ladies

HFC star player Sarah Cleary, who walked away with the Five Live Most Valuable Player award for her incredible skills throughout the day. And she also collected the "Hardest Kick" trophy for her whopping 58mph shot

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## **ONLY "THE SPURS" CAN DE-RAIL BOROUGH WOMEN** **ONLY "THE SPURS" CAN DE-RAIL BOROUGH WOMEN**

**BOROUGH WOMEN** got off to a flying start in their Small Sided Summer Tournament programme being beaten Finalists in the Tottenham Hotspur Ladies 5 a sides. It was the host team who finally overcame Borough in the final by 2-0.

Not only that, but our player, SARAH CLEARY, won the "Player of the Tournament" accolade. Well done Sarah.

We are delighted to have received the e-mail re-produced below from the Organiser of the event and certainly look forward to next years Tournament.



*"Thank you all for entering our first ever Spurs Ladies tournament.*

*We hope you all enjoyed the day, and topped up your suntans because the weather was a little too hot to play football in but the effort all your players put in during the event was superb and we would like to thank each and every one of them to make our first tournament a success. The spirit the game was played in was how football should be played and at Spurs Ladies we try to install sportsmanship into our teams from an early age and the way your players performed and handled themselves on and off the pitch was of a very high standard of professionalism, and we thank you for that.*

*We will be looking at next year for another five a side event and hopefully you would all like to come again and play in our tournament.*

*The winners were THLFC B and the runners up were Haringey Borough and the score was 2-0*

*The player of the tournament was Sarah Cleary of Haringey Borough (congratulations)*

*Once again a big thank you from Spurs Ladies and hope to see you all next year*

*Dave Shephard  
Event Organiser*

Meanwhile a few miles down the road the Club's Under 13 Boys were also acquitting themselves well in the Omonia FC 6 a side Tournament, easily winning their 6 team Group before going down 2-0 to the hosts in the semi-final. (see the YOUTH TEAM LATEST page for fuller details.

**ALL IN ALL A GREAT FEW WEEKS FOR THE CLUB -LETS HOPE THEY ARE THE FIRST OF MANY**

## LEAGUE CONSTITUTION 2007/08 ANNOUNCED

*May 29, 2007, 8:44 pm*

The Constitution duly ratified at the Molten Spartan South Midlands League AGM on 16th June sees Borough in a 19 Team Division One.

The other Clubs are:-

AMERSHAM TOWN  
AMPTHILL TOWN  
ARLESEY ATHLETIC  
BEDFORD (formerly Bedford & Valerio United)  
BEDFORD TOWN RESERVES  
BRACHE SPARTA  
BUCKINGHAM ATHLETIC  
CHESHUNT RESERVES  
CRANFIELD UNITED  
HARPENDEN TOWN  
HODDESDON TOWN  
KENTISH TOWN  
NEW BRADWELL ST. PETER  
ROYSTON TOWN (relegated from Premier Division)

SPORT LONDON E BENEFICA (from Middlesex County League)  
 STONY STRATFORD TOWN  
 SUN POSTAL SPORTS  
 WINSLOW UNITED

An FA directive now enables Reserve Teams of Clubs playing at Step 3 or above to enter their Reserve teams at Step 6.

The First game will be on August 11th.

## STILL CLIMBING

Oct 1, 2007, 12:34 pm

### UP TO 2nd SPOT

Although the performance was none too convincing the 2-1 Home win over Ampthill Town was enough to move Borough into one of the promotion spots on Saturday. They could go top next week if they win at Bedford Town Reserves as their two main challengers, Hoddesdon Town and Bedford clash. Bedford are one point ahead at the moment and Hoddesdon have, like Borough, dropped four points to Bedford's 3 although they have played two fewer games. So a Borough win coupled with anything other than a Bedford win would see in the take top spot.

The Women unluckily lost their unbeaten League record by 2-1 to a late goal at Haverhill Rovers on Sunday but the Under 17s maintained their 100% record in all Competitions with a 2-0 League Cup win over Hillingdon Borough Under 18s.

## MIDWEEK JOY FOR WOMEN

Sep 28, 2007, 1:28 am

### **GIRLS ON TOP !!**

An early strike by Samuella King gave Borough an interval lead against Royston Town after they had dominated the first half. But The Crows hit back strongly in the second half and after equalising looked the more threatening side for a while until Borough re-asserted themselves late in the half and secured victory through further goals by Joselina Lopes Ferreira and injured defender Valene Simon who had been moved up front.

The victory enabled them to dislodge Norwich City from the top of the table and Borough will stay there if they return from their Sunday trip to Haverhill Rovers with maximum points.

#### CURRENT PREMIER DIVISION TABLE

	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	Pts
HARINGEY BOROUGH	5	3	2	0	15	10	5	11
NORWICH CITY	4	3	1	0	14	2	12	10
WOODBIDGE TOWN	5	3	0	2	12	6	6	9
BARKING	4	3	0	1	6	5	1	9
HAVERHILL ROVERS	5	2	2	1	10	8	2	8
HETHERSETT ATHLETIC	4	2	1	1	17	6	11	7
PETERBOROUGH	4	2	0	2	10	4	6	6
DAGENHAM & REDBRIDGE	4	1	2	1	8	5	3	5
ROYSTON TOWN	4	1	0	3	4	17	-13	3

BEDFORD	3	0	2	1	5	9	-4	2
CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY	4	0	0	4	6	20	-14	0
CAMBRIDGE UNITED	4	0	0	4	2	17	-15	0

## CUP HOODOO BEATEN AT LAST

Sep 25, 2007, 11:53 pm

### *DIVISION ONE CUP SUCCESS*

**BOROUGH'S** dismal record in knock out competitions, which has seen them eliminated at the first hurdle in the other 4 Cup competitions entered, was finally overcome at Sun Postal Sports Watford ground when substitute Chima Obiji's late near post header from a corner provided the only goal of a fine sporting encounter with no lack of endeavour from either side. A much changed Borough team, with three players making their first team debuts and a very make-shift defence, produced one of the best displays of the season to set up a home tie with Cranfield United in the second round.

## STILL UNBEATEN

Sep 23, 2007, 6:24 pm

### *RECORDS STILL INTACT*

Although nothing goes right for Borough in Cup matches both the Mens First Team and the Womens Team maintained their unbeaten League Records over the weekend.

The Men now have 5 wins and 2 draws from their Spartan South Midlands League campaign while the Women have 2 wins and 2 draws from their Eastern Region Premier Division matches.

On Saturday the First Team had to settle for a draw when Kentish Town visited Coles Park and this was probably the fairest outcome to a see-saw match in which both sides had the lead at one time. Chima Obiji scored in each half in Boroughs 2-2 draw.

On Sunday the Women returned victorious from a visit to Cambridge University - a feat not often achieved in the past - in another see-saw game in which they took an early lead, fell behind by half time, equalised from a penalty immediately after the restart, took the lead, immediately lost it again only to get it back within a minute and then clinched the game 5-3 with fifteen minutes still to play. Samuella King scored a hat trick from a free kick and 2 spectacular second half strikes, Joselina Lopes Ferreira scored her first goal for the Club and Tanya Beverley put the penalty away tidily.

And not to be outdone the Under 17s maintained their 100% start to their Harrow Youth League Campaign with their third straight win with a 7-1 slaughter of Charville Athletic. A start which suggests they might carry on from their wonderful achievement of winning their Under 16 Division last season without losing a game.

## WEMBLEY DREAM OVER

Sep 8, 2007, 10:48 pm

### *BOROUGH NOT GOING TO WEMBLEY !*

Boroughs hopes of a Wembley appearance disappeared for another season although they put up a fine fight against their Step 5 visitors, Harwich & Parkeston, (who had themselves eliminated a Step 4 Club from the FA Cup last Saturday) and were not finally

beaten until conceding a breakaway goal in the dying seconds as the whole team was upfield battling for an equaliser.

Some good news is that Stony Stratford Town, the erstwhile League leaders lost at home and Borough are now only 2 points behind them with 2 games in hand. The new leaders are Bedford who won their home league match and also have 15 points but a better goal difference and Borough have 1 game in hand on them. While Brache Sparta's win pushed Borough down to 4th, Borough have two games in hand on them and are only a point behind and Borough also have the best goal difference in the Division.

#### UNBEATEN LEAGUE RECORDS STILL INTACT

Sep 1, 2007, 9:57 pm

### **STILL CLIMBING - 2nd NOW**

A hat-trick from Ronardson Obinna and two late strikes from substitute Chima Obiji were enough to seal a comfortable home win against Royston Town and lift Borough to 2nd place in the table - two points behind leaders Stony Stratford Town but with a game in hand on them.

Perhaps more importantly, Borough, along with Hoddesdon Town, have dropped only 2 points - fewer than any other Clubs in the Division.

.....and to cap a great weekend at Coles Park a depleted BOROUGH WOMENS squad defied the odds to beat Championship favourites DAGENHAM & REDBRIDGE 2-1. Samuella King netted both Borough goals.

#### BRIGHT START MAINTAINED

Aug 30, 2007, 12:55 pm

### **FOURTH AND CLIMBING**

A hard earned 3 points away to League newcomers Sport London e Benfica at Hanwell Town's Reynolds Field ground moved Borough up to 4th place in the table and with a game in hand on all those above them which, if won, would see them top.

Borough bossed the first half and went in 2-1 up thanks to two well taken goals by Daneil Iroegbu and then stood firm against severe second half pressure which culminated in a sensational save by already injured seventeen year old 'keeper Edison Brahimi in the dying seconds of injury time.

Full report on Fixtures and Results page.

#### UNBEATEN RECORD PRESERVED

Aug 27, 2007, 4:57 pm

### **THREE MORE LEAGUE POINTS GARNERED**

On Saturday 25th August, a much changed Borough side quickly shrugged off the disappointment of Tuesdays Cup Replay exit with a commanding second-half performance to maintain their unbeaten League record through goals from Andy Stokes, Adeniyi Adedeji and Melvin Thompson with no goals conceded.

Full report on FIXTURES & RESULTS page

## A GOOD WEEKEND BECOMES.....

Nov 18, 2007, 8:53 pm

### .....A VERY GOOD WEEKEND

On Saturday the First Team moved back into second place with their 3-2 win over Bedford (who were third with Borough fourth) and are now three points behind leaders Kentish Town with two games in hand. Harpenden Town's unexpected 1-0 win at Hoddesdon Town helped enormously.

Then on Sunday, the Women set themselves up for a London County Cup quarter final away to Tottenham Hotspur with a 1-0 win away to Addeyans (Long Lane) in Blackheath.

## A WINNING START PUTS BOROUGH.....

Nov 3, 2007, 10:10 pm

### ***BACK ON TOP.....temporarily***

Borough twice came from behind to take three points from visiting Cranfield United by the odd goal in five to give new Manager Allan Fenn a winning start on 3rd November from a thrill a minute game which was a credit to both teams.

With other results going Borough's way victory restored Borough to the top of the table.

But with no fixture on the following Saturday it was almost inevitable that tenure of the top spot would be lost and Hoddesdon Town duly took advantage of Borough's rest day.

## A NEW START

Oct 29, 2007, 12:07 pm

### **MANAGERIAL CHANGE**

After careful deliberation the Club Board reluctantly came to the conclusion that First Team Manager Ged Searson had probably taken the Club as far as he could and that a new face would be the best way to maintain the forward progress of the Club. The Club is of course, grateful to Ged for all the hard work he has contributed over the last two years.

An announcement concerning a new appointment will be made as soon as possible.

***IN THE MEANTIME, ALL PLAYERS ARE ASKED TO NOTE THAT TRAINING WILL CONTINUE AS USUAL AND THEY SHOULD MAKE EVERY EFFORT TO ATTEND AT THE DOUGLAS EYRE SPORTS CENTRE AT 8.30pm ON TUESDAY 30th OCTOBER & COLES PARK AT 7pm ON THURSDAY 1st NOVEMBER***

## WASTED OPPORTUNITY

Oct 27, 2007, 8:31 pm

## OUT OF THE PROMOTION SPOTS

Not only did Borough waste a golden opportunity to re-claim top spot with leaders Hoddesdon Town engaged in Cup action but they lost their runners up place too even though third placed Brache Sparta lost 2-1 because the greater margin of our 0-3 reverse left our goal difference one worse than Brache's although we do have a game in hand on them.

Somewhat *deja vu* today as Harpenden Town joined a long list of Clubs who over the years have visited Coles Park as table proppers and left with three valuable points. And it cannot be denied that they deserved them as they dominated the closing stages and made several fine chances to increase their score but wasted them. Borough's best period was the opening half hour and a superb run and shot by Daniel Ailey deserved better than to be denied by the woodwork but after Harpenden took the lead with their first real shot - from the penalty spot following a nudge when no real danger seemed to threaten - Borough fell away and an unknowing viewer would have assumed Borough were the Club at the bottom.

### OFF THE TOP

Oct 20, 2007, 10:20 pm

## DISLODGED !

Table topping teams can rarely expect to stay there after two successive defeats and so it proved as Hoddesdon Town took over courtesy of their 4-2 win at Brache Sparta and Borough's defeat by the same score at Kentish Town. Surprisingly, they remain second as Bedford, three points behind them lost 1-0 at mid-table New Bradwell St. Peter.

Borough were undone by the clinical finishing of Jonathon Donoghue (3) and Lee Scott (1) and although enjoying a fair share of possession could respond only from set pieces. They were 2-0 down at the interval but given hope when Mark Maher scored direct from a free kick a minute after the restart and for a while looked capable of getting back into the game before a defensive error enabled Town to restore their two goal lead midway through the half. Borough quickly pulled the margin back, again from a free kick which hit the post leaving Adeniyi Adedeji a simple task to nod the loose ball into the net; but when Donoghue soon completed his hat-trick Borough were chasing the game again. Ten minutes from time they had the opportunity to set up a nail biting finale but Kieran Donnelly's fierce penalty kick smashed against the underside of the bar and bounced down almost onto the line and the home keeper somehow got up to tip Chima Obiji's virtually point blank header over the bar. Borough kept pushing forward but never managed to fashion any clear cut openings.

### IT WAS NICE WHILE IT LASTED !!

Oct 16, 2007, 10:32 pm

## UNBEATEN RECORD GONE

There have probably been few previous seasons when Borough carried an unbeaten League record into mid-October but Hoddesdon Town's Lowfield ground was always likely to prove the terminus for our record and so it proved. Emphatically so. The only consolation is that despite the damage to our goal-difference in a 4-0 defeat we are still top by virtue of a better difference than Brache Sparta - although if Hoddesdon had put away three more of their gilt edged chances we would have been dislodged. Hoddesdon remain the only unbeaten team in the Division and have now dropped only four points to our nine and have two games in hand on us so are entitled to regard themselves as "leaders in waiting".

## STILL ON TOP

Oct 13, 2007, 8:30 pm

### ***STILL AHEAD - BUT ONLY BY GOAL DIFFERENCE***

Not a particularly exciting or memorable game but the point earned in the 1-1 draw at home to Stony Stratford Town keeps Borough at the top of the table, albeit only on goal difference now with Brache Sparta also on 24 points

But the main challenge is now from Hoddesdon Town whose 2-0 win at home to Bedford Town Reserves means that they have dropped only 4 points to Borough's six. So the scene is set for a real "six-pointer" as Borough visit Lowfield on Tuesday evening. Unless they lose by at least a seven goal margin, Borough will remain top even if Hoddesdon win but it would leave Borough only a point ahead of their hosts who would also have two games in hand. Nail-biting times ahead !

## THE SUMMIT REACHED

Oct 6, 2007, 7:21 pm

### ***TOP SPOT SECURED -NOW THE FIGHT TO KEEP IT STARTS !***

With erstwhile leaders Bedford going down 2-1 at Hoddesdon Town, Borough moved to the top of the Spartan South Midlands Division 1 table with a comfortable win on Saturday. Mark Maher slipped in Adeniyi Adedeji for the first after 20 minutes; Michael Ingall-Clark and Daneil Iroegbu were in the right place to provide simple finishes to flowing moves in which Chima Obiji was prominent before the interval. Even though "The Eagles" pulled one back from the penalty spot following a hand ball early in the second half Borough never looked to be in any real danger and Iroegbu finished the scoring 5 minutes from time, also from the spot, after Adedeji's long mazy run was ended with a trip as he worked his way across the penalty area seeking a shooting opportunity. Borough and Hoddesdon Town have now each dropped 4 points but Borough have the better goal difference while Hoddesdon have two games in hand.

## A FINE PERFORMANCE AT HODDESDON TOWN SEES.....

Jan 15, 2008, 11:49 pm

### ***BOROUGH REACH DIVISIONAL CUP SEMI-FINAL***

A goal late in the first half from Jamaal Duncan and a powerful header from Andy Stokes in the 10th minute of extra time saw Borough reach the Divisional Cup semi-final (they will be at home to Harpenden Town on Tuesday February 12th). Borough missed some golden opportunities to make the game safe in the second period of normal time and almost paid the price for their profligacy when Hoddesdon put away a close range equaliser in the 86th minute.

## RE NO CHANGE AT THE TOP

Jan 11, 2008, 3:55 pm

### ***.....BOROUGH STILL THIRD***

*After a rain-depleted programme the top three positions remain unchanged with only leaders HODDESDON TOWN playing and picking*

*up just one point from their 2-2 home draw with Brache Sparta. They are now three points ahead of both Stony Stratford Town and Borough but both have a game in hand on them which if won would see them overtaken on goal difference. The days big winners were ROYSTON TOWN who demolished BEDFORD at Garden Walk by 6-0 and are now only 4 points behind Borough and Stony Stratford Town and with a game in hand on both of them.*

*Boroughs other teams also suffered from waterlogged pitch call offs over the weekend but on Sunday the U13s game went ahead as they beat Parkfield 6-1.*

## WELCOME ON BOARD TO

Jan 9, 2008, 1:26 pm

## ..... KEVIN WILKINS

The Club is pleased to be able to announce the addition to its management team of KEVIN WILKINS who has joined as Assistant to Allan Fenn who writes:-

*"I would also like to take this opportunity to welcome the arrival of my new Assistant Manager Kevin Wilkins. Wilkins has a wealth of experience both as a player, with Walthamstow Pennant and Leyton Pennant, and as a Manager where he has enjoyed a hugely successful time as Leyton's Reserve team manager and for the last two years as joint manager of their First team in the Rymans Premier League. Most important to me is that he is completely honest, loyal and trustworthy as well as being a very good friend and I cannot wait to renew my working relationship with him. Kevin will be with me in the dug-out in future games where he will bring renewed optimism and enthusiasm to the Club and will be a major asset to the Borough cause".*

## THE RUN IS OVER

Jan 5, 2008, 11:35 pm

## .....DISLODGED

It had to end some time and it took a fine team - STONY STRATFORD TOWN to end Allan Fenn's unbeaten record at the 6th attempt. Borough scored the first and last goals and came back from behind to bring the score to 2-2 just before the interval but defensive frailty undid Borough in the second half to leave us losers by 5-3. So its our turn to play catch up now as we are pushed down to third and so tight is the situation at the top that any of the leading 8 teams are entitled to fancy their chances. The leading positions are

Hoddesdon Town	Played 19 points 39
Stony Stratford Town	19 - 37
Haringey Borough	19-37
Kentish Town	21 - 37
New Bradwell St. Peter	19 - 34
Sport London e Benfica	20 - 33
Bedford	20 - 33
Royston Town	18 - 30



## A DISAPPOINTING CANCELLATION BUT

Dec 29, 2007, 9:46 pm

### *STILL ON TOP....JUST*

BOROUGH go into the New Year as leaders but with our own game being called off some of our challengers took the opportunity to close the gap. With Kentish Town's pitch also unfit we were spared the possibility of being ousted from top spot but narrow wins for Hoddesdon Town and Stony Stratford Town have increased the pressure on us. Next Saturdays match at Stony Stratford Town is now of huge importance as defeat would see them overtake us on goal difference. In fact anything except a Borough win will probably see us knocked off our perch as there are three teams poised to take over from us if we falter. The game between Sport London e Benfica and Kentish Town will also have a huge bearing on the table as will Bedford's game with Hoddesdon Town on a Saturday which see six of the title chasers paired together.

## CHIMA GETS BOROUGH "OUT OF JAIL"

Dec 23, 2007, 2:39 pm

### *UNBEATEN RUN STRETCHED TO FIVE*

It seemed that Allan Fenn's unbeaten record was over at Buckingham Athletic's Stratford Fields ground as sloppy defending had helped the home side to a 3-2 lead despite Borough having enjoyed the lion's share of the play and making by far the greater number of chances. But in the 94th minute Chima Obiji threw himself at late substitute Joelle-Leon Phillips' cross from the left to power home his equalising header.

The point means Borough top the table by one point and with two games in hand over their nearest challengers with exactly half their league programme completed.

## STILL ON TOP

Dec 15, 2007, 8:24 pm

### *TOP SPOT CONSOLIDATED*

A hat-trick by Ronardson Obinna was a major contribution to Borough's convincing 5-1 win over Brache Sparta which cemented their place at the top of the table for another week.

.....and on Sunday the Under 17s moved closer to their second Cup Final appearance in 2 years with a 1-0 win away to Welling Wanderers in their much delayed London County Cup Quarter Final.

## BACK TO THE SUMMIT

Nov 24, 2007, 10:41 pm

### *STOPPAGE TIME GOAL PUTS BOROUGH*

### *BACK ON TOP*

AFTER BEING BEHIND FOR MORE THAN AN HOUR BOROUGH'S LATE ONSLAUGHT AT AMERSHAM TOWN'S SPRATLEY MEADOW HOME TURNED THE TABLES .....AND THE ICING ON THE CAKE WAS KARL LEWIS'S STOPPAGE TIME GOAL WHICH MOVED

BOROUGH BACK TO THE TOP OF THE TABLE WITH A GOAL DIFFERENCE ONE BETTER THAN PREVIOUS LEADERS KENTISH TOWN WHO SURPRISINGLY LOST 3-5 AT HOME TO STONY STRATFORD TOWN .....and, somewhat surprisingly, despite not having kicked a ball for two weeks Borough still remain top after 8th December thanks to postponements and Kentish Town's unexpected 3-2 defeat at Cranfield United and Hoodedson Town's even more surprising 1-1 draw at home to bottom Club Winslow United.

.....and to cap another fine weekend the Women also got into the injury time goal habit on Sunday when Sonia Vandumen headed in Erika Vareckova's long free kick at the far post to give them a 3-2 victory at Dagenham & Redbridge's Glyn Hopkin Stadium to maintain their promotion challenge in a very close race in which Borough are now second in the table.

#### CUP FINAL DETAILS ANNOUNCED

Mar 26, 2008, 8:19 pm

### *DIVISION ONE CUP FINAL DETAILS*

THE FIRST TEAMS SPARTAN SOUTH MIDLANDS LEAGUE  
DIVISION ONE CUP FINAL AGAINST  
AMPTHILL TOWN WILL TAKE PLACE ON

SATURDAY MAY 3rd

AT

COTLANDSWICK - the home of London Colney FC

KICK-OFF AT 3pm

#### 5 WINS IN A ROW SENDS BOROUGH.....

Mar 8, 2008, 8:41 pm

### *.....BACK TO THE TOP*

BOROUGH's comfortable 2-0 win at home to Bedford Town Reserves coupled with favourable results elsewhere (of the top 6 promotion chasers only Borough were winners) enabled them to re-claim top spot. But so tight is the situation at the top that it will be some time before the numbers in the chasing pack are reduced. Currently the top 6 are

HARINGEY BOROUGH	26 games	52 points
ROYSTON TOWN	27	51
KENTISH TOWN	27	50
HODDESDON TOWN	25	50
NEW BRADWELL ST. PETER	27	48
STONY STRATFORD TOWN	26	47

#### UNDER 17s CUP FINAL

Feb 28, 2008, 12:17 am

*THE FIRST CUP FINAL FOR A BOROUGH TEAM  
THIS SEASON WILL BE ON  
**SUNDAY MARCH 9th***

UNDER 17s v MILLWALL ALBION  
2.30pm  
at MILE END STADIUM  
RHODESWELL ROAD  
MILE END  
E14 7TW

**REPRESENTATIVE SELECTION**

*Feb 24, 2008, 6:22 pm*

*BOROUGH PLAYERS EARN LEAGUE  
REPRESENTATIVE HONOURS*

*SAMUELLA KING and KATRINA SMITH* have been selected for the Eastern Region Women's League Representative team to play the South East Combination team at Cambridge City's ground on 4th May.

Samuella celebrated her selection today, 24th February, by scoring all 4 goals in Boroughs 4-4 draw at Peterborough.

**HARPENDEN SWEEP ASIDE AS**

*Feb 12, 2008, 11:32 pm*

*.....BOROUGH REACH THE  
FINAL*

A scintillating display of attacking football which swept aside the semi-final challenge of Harpenden Town put Borough's First Team into a knock out competition Final for the first time since season 1997/98.

Their 4-0 win means that they will face Amptill Town in the Final of the Spartan South Midlands League Division One Cup at a venue and on a date to be announced. Amptill Town were 2-1 winners at Buckingham Athletic in the other semi-final.

**A GREAT WEEKEND AT BEDFORD'S EXPENSE**

*Feb 10, 2008, 7:06 pm*

*.....BACK TO WINNING WAYS*

BOROUGH'S FIRST TEAM PUT THEIR RECENT SLUMP BEHIND THEM AND RESUMED THEIR WINNING WAYS WITH A COMPREHENSIVE 6-1 THUMPING OF BEDFORD FC AT McMULLEN PARK ON SATURDAY. BOROUGH WERE A GOAL UP AT HALF TIME AND RACED INTO A 5 GOAL LEAD BEFORE BEDFORD NETTED A CONSOLATION.

NOT TO BE OUTDONE THE WOMENS TEAM THEN ENTERTAINED BEDFORD'S WOMENS TEAM AT COLES PARK ON SUNDAY AFTERNOON AND EDGED THEIR WAY INTO THEIR LEAGUE CUP SEMI-FINAL WITH A 3-2 PENALTY SHOOT OUT WIN AFTER THE MATCH ENDED 5-5 AFTER EXTRA TIME IN A GAME WHERE BEDFORD THREE TIMES SNATCHED THE LEAD WHILE BOROUGHS WERE TWICE AHEAD; BUT NEITHER SIDE COULD EVER SECURE MORE THAN A ONE GOAL ADVANTAGE. 4-4 AFTER 90 MINUTES.

### MIXED FORTUNES WEEKEND BRINGS

Feb 3, 2008, 8:51 pm

## *..MISERY FOR SOME BUT DELIGHT FOR OTHERS*

Although the First Team threw away three much needed promotion chasing points losing the game at home to Amersham Town to a late goal despite dominating throughout its not all gloom and doom.

Firstly, the promotion scramble at the top is so tight that there is still plenty of time to put together a winning run in the last 15 games to see us through. Only 8 points separate the top six teams with Borough comfortable tucked in at 5th place, six points behind the leaders with two games in hand.

Secondly, on Sunday Raki Hudson's Under 17 team battled their way through to their London County Cup Final at Hackney marshes despite playing the whole game against New North Rangers with only 10 men, falling behind, scoring a late equaliser to take the game to extra time and then winning the penalty shoot out 4-2.

Thirdly, the Womens team, although deprived of the services of some regular players through injury, put on a gritty team performance to twice come from behind at home to Peterborough in their League Cup match to run out 3-2 winners and set up a quarter final tie at home to Bedford next Sunday

### NOT QUITE A BLANK WEEKEND AND.....

Jan 18, 2008, 12:28 pm

## *THE WOMEN REACH A CUP SEMI-FINAL TOO*

In a weekend which saw a vast number of games cancelled due to the weather including the whole of the Spartan South Midlands league Fixture List only two of the scheduled games involving seven of Borough's teams survived.

The Women won a thrill a minute London County Cup quarter final tie against Tottenham Hotspur on a fine "Frederick Knight Centre" pitch by the odd goal in seven with Boroughs winner coming two minutes from the end of extra time. This sets up a Semi Final at home to either Millwall Lionesses. Full report on the "Fixtures & Results" page.

Further good news is that for the second week running the under 13s have beaten the rain to get their game on; and made it 2 wins out of 2 in 2008 with a 5-0 demolition of Heathrow Club.

### BOROUGHS'S OWN "OSCARS NIGHT"

May 12, 2008, 9:42 pm

# *THE SEASONS AWARDS*

BOROUGH'S Annual Presentation Night and Disco was held for the first time at the Wood Green Labour Club on the evening of Friday May 9<sup>th</sup> and was a well attended affair. Go to the Photo Gallery to savour the atmosphere.

This year the Mens First Eleven were the Club's most successful team having secured promotion and won the Divisional Cup which was proudly displayed.

The Individual Awards were:-

## **PLAYERS PLAYER OF THE SEASON**

*FIRST TEAM KARL LEWIS*

*WOMENS TEAM JOSELINA LOPES FERREIRA*

*UNDER 18s GUSTAVO ANGEL*

*UNDER 17s MICHAEL HAND*

*UNDER 16s MEHMET SEKIN*

*UNDER 15s DAHIR ABDIRAHAMAN*

*UNDER 13s SERJAN OZBERBER*

## **MOST IMPROVED PLAYER**

*FIRST TEAM DANIEL WHITE*

*WOMENS TEAM KATRINA SMITH*

*UNDER 18s SAIID OMAR*

*UNDER 17s CHINUA PHINN-ARCHER*

*UNDER 16s SHAMOKAY*

*UNDER 15s (jointly) YILLI MILKOVICH & STEVEN WILLIAMS*

*UNDER 13s WESLEY RYAN-ERREIA*

## **TOP GOALSCORER**

*FIRST TEAM (tied) RY HARDY & KARL LEWIS*

*WOMENS TEAM SAMUELLA KING*

*UNDER 18s MICHAEL HAND*

*UNDER 17s PLATINI BUNZA*

*UNDER 16s MEHMET SEKIN*

*UNDER 15s SABRI BOKCIU*

*UNDER 13s RICARDO REID*

## MANAGERS PLAYER OF THE SEASON

*FIRST TEAM KIERAN DONNELLY*

*WOMENS TEAM NATASHA ADJOBIA*

*UNDER 18s LAWRENCE HAYES*

*UNDER 17s SILVESTRE ESPANA*

*UNDER 16s ARNOLD AMISSI*

*UNDER 15s VOLKAN GORUR*

*UNDER 13s ALI MOHAMMED*

## FIRST TEAM MANAGERS AWARD TO OUTSTANDING YOUNG PLAYER OF THE SEASON

*MARK MAHER*

### SPARKLING PERFORMANCE TO CONCLUDE THE SEASON

*May 6, 2008, 10:17 am*

## ***BOROUGH'S BEST SEASON OVER (well, almost)***

An enjoyable Bank Holiday Monday match with nothing at stake came as a relief after the tension engendered by the successful season long chase after promotion and the Divisional Cup. Borough said good-bye to Division One with a convincing 4-1 win over visitors Buckingham Athletic - so finishing the season on a similar note to its beginning which had also started with a 4-1 home win (against Arlesey Athletic).

For the Club the season is not quite over as both the Women and the Under 17s have a game each game to play ( at Coles Park on 11th May and 13th May respectively) Both teams will be hoping to improve their League positions with the Women looking to reach their best ever Premier Division placing by moving back into third place.

## ***PRESENTATION NIGHT IS NIGH***

All players from the Boroughs 8 teams are reminded that Friday May 9th is the date of the Club's PRESENTATION EVENING - with Buffet and Disco. At the Wood Green Labour Club, Stuart Crescent, Wood Green, N22 (just off White Hart Lane close to the junction with Wood Green High Road and about 5 minutes walk from Wood Green Underground Station - up the hill towards Palmers Green).

Free to players; friends and family Â£5

### GOOD BYE TO DIVISION ONE IN STYLE

May 3, 2008, 7:47 pm

## *DIVISIONAL CUP VICTORY*

BOROUGH concluded what they hope will be their only sojourn in Division One of the League by edging home 2-1 in a thrilling Divisional Cup Final with Ampthill Town. Melvin Thompson in the first half and Patrick Billong in the second half weighed in with the crucial strikes.

Following on from last Saturdays clinching of promotion at the first attempt it was a wonderful way to bring the curtain down on what must be Borough's best ever season and to eradicate the bitter memory of relegation on the last day of 2006/07

### A POOR PERFORMANCE, A SCRAPPY DRAW, BUT ITS ENOUGH

Apr 26, 2008, 7:31 pm

## *PARADISE REGAINED*

BOROUGH regained the Premier Division status they lost on the final day of last season with a match to spare this time courtesy of an unconvincing 2-2 draw against their next to bottom visitors, Winslow United. Twice behind Borough secured the vital point with Ry Hardy's 90th minute penalty but a big thank you is due to Amersham Town whose 4-2 win at home to our only rivals for the runners up spot, Hoddesdon Town was perhaps an even greater surprise than our failure to produce a performance worthy of the occasion.

But, to paraphrase a popular cliché - **NOW WE CAN**

**CONCENTRATE ON THE CUP.** The Final is next week at London Colney - click on Fixtures & Results, May 3rd for details of how to get there

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### FREAK GOAL SECURES THE DRAW WHICH KEEPS

Apr 23, 2008, 12:34 am

## *BOROUGH STILL THIRD BUT PROMOTION IS NOW OURS TO SECURE OR THROW AWAY*

A superb match with fellow promotion chasers Hoddesdon Town ended with Borough in the driving seat for if they secure a win and a draw from the two final home games to come they cannot finish below Hoddesdon whatever the result of Hoddesdon's final game at Amersham Town,. The teams both have 69 points and Hoddesdon have a goal difference better by 1. Borough could even snatch top spot should they win their two final games by an eleven goal margin. Borough twice had to come from behind to hold a rampant Hoddesdon side who were far and away the best team played against all

season and the description "freak" scarcely begins to describe Borough's second equaliser (see "Fixtures and Results" page for details).

#### A NARROW VICTORY BUT BOROUGH

Apr 20, 2008, 9:36 pm

### .....NOW DOWN TO THIRD

Substitute Mark Mahers late goal at Arlesey Athletic secured three precious points but with Hoddesdon Town winning by 3-0 at Winslow United Borough's goal difference which had been one better than Hoddesdon's became one worse. Fortunately, Borough have a vital game in hand over Hoddesdon who visit Coles Park on Tuesday Even a defeat would not extinguish Borough's promotion hopes as a hatful of goals from the following two games, both at home, could see them get the runners up spot back from Hoddesdon probably on goal difference or even goals scored.

But defeat, and probably even a draw would put paid to Boroughs hopes of the Championship for which, realistically, only wins in all three of their remaining games including that with Hoddesdon, could secure.

#### MIDWEEK VICTORY PUTS BOROUGH

Apr 8, 2008, 11:12 pm

### ..... INTO SECOND PLACE AGAIN

John Cole's 88th minute strike, in a game which looked like finishing goal-less between two promotion chasing teams, gave Borough three vital points at New Bradwell St. Peter and moved them up into second place again with only an inferior goal difference keeping them from the top spot.

#### BACK INTO A PROMOTION SPOT

Mar 29, 2008, 9:27 pm

### BOROUGH GO SECOND

Having fallen back to fourth place largely owing to the spate of recent cancellations Borough's 3-1 win at Cheshunt Reserves saw them re-claim a promotion spot on a day when New Bradwell St. Peter were the only other winners in the promotion chasing six-pack. Borough are now 4 points behind Hoddesdon Town who are yet to visit Coles Park but with a game in hand on them.

..... *BUT NOT FOR LONG* as their two nil reverse at Royston Town on Tuesday evening , 1st April, pushed them back to 4th place.

#### WEEK OF MIXED FORTUNES ENDS IN JOY AS.....

Sep 27, 2008, 9:54 pm

### .....BOROUGH GRAB THAT ELUSIVE FIRST LEAGUE WIN

After their Tuesday evening second half mauling at Harefield United which saw a 2-1 half time deficit turned into an 8-1 humiliation Borough suffered no hangover on Saturday in another game where their first half play was far superior to their post interval performance. At home to Hertford Town it was Borough who led 2-1 at half time thanks



to successful strikes by Fabian Brown and Murat Karagul and a goal apiece in the second half saw them pick up a well deserved and long overdue victory as Brown's 80th minute spot kick settled the game after Hertford's mid-half equaliser.

Full report in Fixtures & Results section

### SCFYL Nemean Division - Haringey Borough 3 - 2 AFC Hayes

*Sep 25, 2008, 4:14 pm*

#### YOUTH TEAM MAKE IT TWO WINS ON THE SPIN

Last night (24<sup>th</sup> Sep) Borough won 3-2 against AFC Hayes with goals from **Angel**, **Phinn-Archer** and **Gonzalez**. Haringey were 3-0 up at half-time and only conceded the 2 consolation goals in second half injury time. Although a disappointing end to the game for the home side, Borough will be delighted with their overall performance and the win which gives them 7 points from their opening 3 league games.

Full match report can be found through the link on the [FIXTURES & RESULTS](#) page.

Borough continue there SCFYL campaign with an away match against AFC Hayes on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> October: 7.45pm KO at Farm Park.

### SCFYL Nemean Division - Kentish Town 1 - 2 Haringey Borough

*Sep 18, 2008, 12:16 pm*

#### YOUTH TEAM CLAIM IMPORTANT VICTORY

Last night (17<sup>th</sup> Sep) Borough overcame title rivals Kentish Town 2-1 at the Copthall Stadium with first half goals from **Hand** and **Phinn-Archer**. Town pulled one back early in the second half through left winger **Gonzalez** but it wasn't enough as Haringey defended strongly to see out the game and leave with the 3 points.

It was a tense and tight encounter played in good spirit, where both sides can be proud of their contribution and effort as they were a credit to their clubs. The return match promises to be another good battle.

Full match report can be found through the link on the [FIXTURES & RESULTS](#) page.

Borough continue there SCFYL campaign with a home match against AFC Hayes this Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> September: 7.45pm KO at Coles Park

### MISERY RUN ENDED

*Sep 13, 2008, 7:09 pm*

#### ***THE CLIMB BEGINS***

Borough's First Team put an end to their miserable run of 6 successive defeats in a fine game at home to Colney Heath for which a draw was probably a just result. And predictable too bearing in mind both teams are still looking for their first League win. Colney Heath have 4 draws to Borough's 3.

Several new faces made their first appearance of the season and the performance was a vast improvement on last weeks disappointing display which led to the early Vase exit at Cranfield United.

The point lifts Borough off the bottom, albeit on goal difference only, at the expense of Welwyn Garden City who are Borough's next opponents although it is in a knock out game, the Premier Division Cup.

Ashford Town 2 - 1 Haringey Brough - FA Youth Cup Preliminary Round

Sep 11, 2008, 12:44 pm

## Proud Borough Lose in Extra-Time

The FA.com featured our FA Youth Cup Preliminary Match on their website, for their report please use the URL below.

[http://www.thefa.com/TheFACup/TheFAYouthCup/NewsAndFeatures/Postings/2008/09/FAYC\\_roundup\\_PreliminaryAshford\\_Haringey.htm](http://www.thefa.com/TheFACup/TheFAYouthCup/NewsAndFeatures/Postings/2008/09/FAYC_roundup_PreliminaryAshford_Haringey.htm)

Haringey Borough's youth team were given about as hard a draw as was possible in this years Preliminary Round of the FA Youth Cup, with an away tie against Ashford Town (Middlesex). Ashford's senior team plies their trade in the Ryman Premier which is two steps higher then Borough (Spartan South Midlands Premier), furthermore they have won 6 of their first 8 league matches. However Town's youth team have been on an even more impressive run, with a winning run of thirteen straight games coming into this match, stretching back to the tail end of last season! The whole club seems to be on a great run.

The Short Lane Stadium pitch was in good shape and offered the opportunity for a high quality game of football, and all those in attendance, including scouts from Charlton Athletic Football Club, witnessed exactly that. Throughout the match both sides worked tirelessly and tried to get the ball down and play. The tempo and quality on show was much closer to senior football then your regular run-of-the-mill U18 match, and many of the players on view have big futures.

Ashford took the lead on 5 minutes through **Baldock**, following a great set piece delivery. Borough levelled through a great counterattack finished superbly by **Michael Hand**. The winner came deep into extra-time, scored by **Whiteman**, however it was somewhat contentious as he controlled the ball with both arms before

powering a shot past the helpless McCarthy in goal.

Borough deserved more out of the game against a very strong Ashford side who will no doubt be competing at the right end of the table to defend their Southern Youth League title. However luck was not with Haringey as they hit the inside of the post late on in the game and eventually lost through a poor decision by the referee.

*Full match report can be found by clicking the link on the Fixtures and Results page.*

Manager Hudson's view after the game was *“I felt the boys gave everything and were a credit to Ben and I, the club and themselves. We feel completely gutted and empty that we couldn't finish the job. In the end the bit of luck needed went Ashford's way rather than ours. They are a very strong side and their results prove that. However I truly believe we were the better team tonight, we were well organised, defended well, passed the ball well and looked dangerous going forward. Football is often about inches and hitting the inside of the post rather than the back of the net is an example of that. I'm disappointed with their goal and to lose to a decision like that feels like a kick in the teeth. The boys worked tirelessly for 120 minutes and deserve more. We will use this as a lever to push us on in our quest to win our league title this year. I'd like to congratulate all the boys and say I couldn't be prouder of them even if they had won. They are an incredible group.”*

## REPRESENTATIVE HONOURS FOR BOROUGH PLAYERS

Sep 8, 2008, 12:54 pm

### BOROUGH WOMEN SELECTED BY LONDON FA

Four Borough Players have been honoured by selection for the London County FA Representative squad to play against the Metropolitan Police team (at Cockfosters on 17th September) and Oxfordshire County FA (at Oxford City's ground on 24th September)

They are NATASHA ADJOBIA TANYA BEVERLEY SARAH CLEARY & SAMUELLA KING

The first game against the Police resulted in an easy 6-0 win for the London FA with Samuella netting a hat-trick. The game at Oxford finished 4-4

NATASHA, TANYA and SARAH have been selected for a further game on Thursday 9th October against The Army at Aldershot

## PRE SEASON TRAINING BEGINS

Jun 26, 2008, 12:07 am

### **2008/09 NOW UP AND RUNNING**

For the **Mens** team training began on 24th June. Details of the further sessions can be seen by clicking on "Trials and Training" and then "Details Men"

Players AGED 18 OR OVER with experience of Senior Football at Level 6 or above, or who believe they have the ability and commitment needed to flourish in Level 5 football, and are seeking a trial opportunity should submit a playing cv to [ClubSecretary@haringeyboroughfc.com](mailto:ClubSecretary@haringeyboroughfc.com)

**Womens** team training starts on 8th July - click on "Trials and Training" and then "Womens Team" for details. Potential new players should send a playing cv to [ClubSecretary@haringeyboroughfc.com](mailto:ClubSecretary@haringeyboroughfc.com)

## ANOTHER SUCCESS STORY

Jun 17, 2008, 12:04 pm

### **DOUBLE HONOUR FOR BOROUGH PLAYER**

CONGRATULATIONS are due to WOMENS TEAM striker **SAMUELLA KING** who won not only the EASTERN REGION WOMENS LEAGUE PREMIER DIVISION "**TOP SCORER**" trophy for the 2007/08 season but also the Leagues "**PLAYER OF THE SEASON**" award.

## PROMISING DEBUTS AS.....

Dec 8, 2008, 1:11 pm

### **NEW STRIKERS MAKE PROMISING DEBUTS**

Boroughs two most recent signings - strikers Josh Francois and Christopher West - both made promising starts in last Saturdays (December 6) unlucky odd goal defeat at Langford.

Josh, who played for Chalfont St. Peter last season, played the full 90 minutes and showed that his strength will add some much needed power to Boroughs otherwise skilful but lightweight attack.

Chris, another player not likely to be easily knocked off the ball, is also registered with Maidenhead United's Capital Counties team and entered the fray midway through the second half as substitute and knocked home Boroughs 86th minute equaliser which looked likely to secure a point until the heartbreak of Langford's virtually last kick winner.

## SCFYL Nemean Division - Haringey Borough 2 -1 Kentish Town

Dec 4, 2008, 12:08 am

### **UNDER 18s DO THE DOUBLE OVER KENTISH TOWN**

Haringey Borough got back to winning ways in the SCFYL with a good performance

to overcome Kentish in the Nemean division on a surprisingly playable pitch at Coles Park.

Borough dominated the first half and were unlucky not to go in at half-time more than just a goal ahead; coming from some great wing play down the right from Gonzales, followed by a great cross for **Roche** to powerfully head home at the near post.

Town equalised, but Borough hit the winner with 10 minutes to go when **Hand** laced the ball past the keeper Dennis Owusu.

Although an impressive team performance, special praise must go to man of the match Shpresim Vulaj, who put in a massive shift in the center of the park. He set the tone for the rest to follow as he and Angel won their midfield battle against strong opposition.

*full report on fixture and results page*

Borough U18s are next in action on Wednesday 10th December at Coles Park in the Colwyn Cup against Dunstable Town.

#### LAST CUP EXITED SO NOW ...

*Nov 27, 2008, 2:57 pm*

### .....WE CAN CONCENTRATE ON THE LEAGUE

Sadly Borough's interest in the five knock out competitions we enter concluded for this season in the freezing cold at Aylesbury Vale's Haywood Way Stadium last Tuesday (25th November) as we left on the wrong end of a 2-0 scoreline in the Premier Division Cup. So, to quote a well worn cliché, we can now concentrate on the League - starting (with another overworked cliché in the form of a 6 pointer) - when Cockfosters visit us on Saturday 29th. Currently they are level with us on 13 points but have played one game more and nurse a goal difference inferior to ours by just one.

#### St Margaretsbury 2 - 1 Haringey Borough

*Oct 28, 2008, 9:40 pm*

### WEATHER STOPS PLAY

Tuesday's Spartan South Midlands Premier Division match was abandoned at half-time due to the weather conditions. Borough were losing 2-1 going into the second half before the officials decided to stop play.

#### VITAL SECOND WIN AT HERNS LANE PUTS BOROUGH

*Oct 26, 2008, 9:39 pm*

### UP TWO MORE PLACES

Borough's second visit to Welwyn Garden City (the first was for a Premier Division Cup game) produced another much needed victory which lifted Borough above two more teams - Welwyn Garden City and Cockfosters from 20th into 18th place. With the bottom 2 (Holmer Green & Brimsdown Rovers) playing each other and drawing Borough are now 4 points clear of both of them with 12 points to their 8.

Borough always looked the more likely winners at Welwyn even when one down at half time and a fine second half produced three goals and three precious points.

Match report and Squad on "Fixtures & Results" page.

### SOME FIRST TEAM JOY AT LAST...

*Oct 11, 2008, 7:01 pm*

## FENNY'S CHANGES PAY OFF BIG TIME

## AND SENSATIONAL GOAL CLINCHES WIN

After two dismal performances which saw eight goals shipped without reply against fellow strugglers it was not surprising that Manager Alan Fenn opted for major changes in line up and tactics with several players who have rarely made the starting line-up given the chance to stake their claim -which they all duly did -and new signing Niall Ritchie made an impressive debut at right back. Two up at half time the highlight of the match followed midway through the second half when Lewis Laws spotted the home' keeper much too far from his line and went for the 'Beckham option' from just inside his own half - it was like watching yet another replay of that over exposed event but this time for real; appreciated by everyone except the embarrassed goalie, it effectively ended any realistic Tring hopes of salvaging anything from the match. The win lifted Borough off the foot of the table and above the next three teams. It was the first points secured away from home and the first clean sheet of the season.

### AFC Hayes 0 - 7 Haringey Borough - SCFYL Nemean Division

*Oct 10, 2008, 1:22 pm*

## YOUTH TEAM IN SEVEN HEAVEN

On Wednesday night (8<sup>th</sup> October) Borough won 7-0 against AFC Hayes with goals from **Redi Baduri** x2, **Phinn-Archer**, **Michael Hand**, **Lawrence Hayes**, **Platini Lukenene** and **Michael Roche**. Haringey were 4-0 up at half-time and went on to score three more in the second half and record a clean sheet. Following the results Borough moved back to the top of the table with 10 points from 4 games.

Full match report can be found through the link on the FIXTURES & RESULTS page.

Borough continue there SCFYL campaign with a home match against AFC Dunstable in two weeks.

### WOMEN SHOW THE WAY IN FA COMPETITION

*Sep 28, 2008, 9:49 pm*

## 15 -0 BIGGEST WIN EVER ?

The Clubs other teams all crashed out of their respective FA Competitions at the first hurdle but the Women ran riot in their first outing in the Womens FA Cup scoring 15 times without reply in their First Qualifying Round Tie against Uxbridge United at Brunel University. This eclipsed their previous best in this competition when Banbury United were dispatched by a mere 10 goals a few seasons ago.

Scores and team details on Fixtures/Results page

Also please follow link below regarding latest developments in the womens game in this country...

## **FA Approves Women's Super League**

**COLWYN CUP - DUNSTABLE TOWN 0 - 4 HARINGEY BOROUGH**

*Feb 17, 2009, 1:31 pm*

### **Borough Youth Dismantle Dunstable Town**

Borough played their second cup game in a week, where once again the match was switched from a home game to an away one due to the current state of our Coles Park pitch. However the U18s have not let the extra traveling have a detrimental effect as they have succeeded to progress in both the John Ullmann Cup on Sunday and the Colwyn Cup on Thursday.

It was a superb team performance to not only beat Dunstable, but to put in such a strong performance that the 4-0 scoreline was a fair reflection of the game. Furthermore, the result should not be underestimated as Dunstable Town sit joint second in their division and had an unbeaten home record prior to the match with Borough. In the 3rd round of the Colwyn Cup Borough face the winners of Cockfosters versus Harpenden Town.

A full report will follow in the fixtures and results page.

**CONCEDING GROUND ADVANTAGE AGREES WITH BOROUGH AS.....**

*Feb 15, 2009, 3:44 pm*

### **Michael Lends A Hand As Cheeky Goal**

#### **Wins Game for Under 18s**

Borough U18s traveled all the way to the east coast to play Whistable Town FC in the third round of the John Ullmann (Kent Youth League) Cup. Haringey dominated proceedings but had to wait until 2nd half injury time to hit the winner, the goal came from a goal mouth scramble resulting in Michael Roche finding the back of the net with his cheek to claim a well deserved win.

The other goal came courtesy of a Michael Hand penalty following a trip by the keeper on the penalty taker. It was a good team display and although the victory came late only one side looked like winning.

In the quarter final Haringey will travel to VCD Athletic. However the next game is due to be played at Coles park on Thursday against Dunstable Town in the league cup.

*(title courtesy of Ossie Barkat)*

### **and the WOMENS' TEAM climb off the bottom of the table with a 6-2 win as reward for their 180 mile round trip**

A last minute re-arranged fixture enabled Borough to catch up on their huge backlog of fixtures caused through Cup successes by conceding ground advantage to Woodbridge

Town. In an 8 goal thriller Borough took a 3-0 lead only to be reduced to ten players and concede two quick goals before the ten women re-asserted themselves to run out comfortable winners. They are now 7 points from safety with five games in hand on the team they must overhaul

#### ONLY GAME PLAYED SEES

*Feb 8, 2009, 10:57 pm*

## **WOMEN END THEIR MISERABLE RUN TOO**

Only one of Borough's teams played over the weather ruined weekend of 7th/8th February and the Women took the opportunity to make their long trip to Norwich worthwhile as they played on an excellent pitch in very cold but fine conditions. After four successive defeats they powered past Swanton United to book a place in the Quarter Finals of the Eastern Region League Cup with a 6-0 victory. Full report under "Fixtures & Results" tab.

#### FIRST EVER WIN AT OXHEY AS.....

*Jan 31, 2009, 9:10 pm*

## **BOROUGH END WINLESS RUN**

After their depressing run of 8 games without a win Borough battled back from going behind to secure the points with Niall Ritchie's 87th minute winner - his first for the Club. It was a deserved reward for an improved second half performance by the whole team which lacked nothing in commitment and determination. Roy Parkyn had put Borough level just before the interval with a powerful swerving free kick from the edge of the penalty area.

#### Brian Hitchings Trophy - Haringey Borough 2 - 0 Hodesdon Town

*Jan 16, 2009, 1:50 am*

## **MCCARTHY CLEAN SHEET HELPS BORO PROGRESS**

This cup match was finally played after numerous postponements due to the bad weather. The game was played in good spirit on a cold evening at Coles Park with Borough wearing their familiar yellow shirts and green shorts.

Although Haringey did not put in their most accomplished performance they progressed through to the next round where they will face Bury Town back at Coles Park. Goals from front two Michael Hand and Platini Lukenene, one in each half, secured the win in the U18s first game of 2009.

Keeper McCarthy was in outstanding form and pickd up the man of the match award for not only some great saves but also some excellent catches from crosses. Borough were shaky in the first half but still went in one nil up. The second half was a stronger performance and in the end the result was quite comfortable.

Full match report can be found through the fixtures & results link on the left hand side navigation bar.

Borough's youth team are next in action on Monday 19th January in the John Ullman Cup at Coles Park against Whistable Town.

#### THRILLING DRAWN MATCH SEES.....

*Dec 21, 2008, 11:26 pm*



## .....DISMAL RUN ENDED

Borough put an end to their disappointing run of 5 successive narrow defeats (all away from home) with a determined display in an end to end match at Colney Heath in which they twice led but were pegged back each time for a 2-2 draw.

It could have been 3 points as Borough missed a second half penalty ..... but then it could have been 0 points as Colney Heath twice hit the framework.

Overall a just result to a very open and entertaining game. Fuller report in FIXTURES & RESULTS Section

**John Ullmann Cup: Haringey Borough 2 - 1 Deal Town**

*Dec 21, 2008, 9:40 pm*

### **YOUTH TEAM SIGN OFF FOR 2008 WITH VICTORY**

Boroughs U18s progressed to the John Ullmann (Kent Youth League) Cup 3rd Round with a convincing 2-1 victory over Deal Town. Goals from Roche and Hand helped secure a third round tie with Whistable Town, due to be played in early January.

It was an enjoyable game in which Borough produced some great flowing football. They deserved the victory and can now enter the Christmas break in excellent mood.

Match report is up on Fixtures & Results page. The u18s will return to action in January.

**A WELCOME RECRUIT...**

*Dec 8, 2008, 1:22 pm*

### ***BOROUGH SIGN ENGLAND INTERNATIONAL***

Borough are delighted to have secured the registration of full England International ELLEN MAGGS who numbers Arsenal, Watford, Birmingham City and, most recently, Welwyn Garden City (with which Club she remains dual registered) among her previous Clubs.

Ellen, who has played little football this season, made her Club debut in Borough's narrow 3-2 defeat at Hethersett Athletic last Sunday (December 7) playing for the first 60 minutes and showed that she will be a formidable presence in Borough's ranks when she regains full fitness.

**RECOVERY AND A WIN AT KENTISH TOWN MEANS**

*Apr 18, 2009, 6:43 pm*

### **SAFETY SECURED**

Borough completed their customary late escape - and still with a game to spare - as they collected their 7th point in the last week with a nervy 4-2 victory over Kentish Town who, along with Holmer Green, will now be the bottom two Clubs whatever the results of the final round of games.

**COCKFOSTERS WIN LEAVES BOROUGH.....**

Apr 16, 2009, 9:32 pm

## ..... **JUST ONE POINT FROM SAFETY**

KENTISH TOWN'S DEFEAT BY COCKFOSTERS ON THURSDAY EVENING LEAVES BOROUGH NEEDING JUST ONE POINT FROM THEIR GAME WITH KENTISH TOWN ON SATURDAY TO BE VIRTUALLY SAFE FROM A BOTTOM TWO POSITION ..... BARRING HOLMER GREEN TURNING ROUND A GOAL DIFFERENCE INFERIOR BY 8 IN THEIR LAST TWO MATCHES. A WIN WOULD REMOVE ANY LINGERING DOUBTS.

### OFF THE FIELD SUCCESS RESULTS IN.....

Apr 6, 2009, 12:20 pm

## **GROUND GRADE "F" SECURED**

After three weeks of almost non-stop activity the desired result was achieved last Friday when the Stadium was confirmed to be up to the standard required for the grant of an FA "F" grade - without which relegation to Division One would have followed.

There is now a concrete path and a new barrier above the minimum 1.1 metres in height all around the pitch and major improvements to the dressing rooms have also been completed. Chairman Aki Achillea has devoted hours to the organisation of the work to which new Manager Tom Loizou has contributed greatly especially in the dressing room improvement area.

To maintain our Premier Division status it is now only necessary for us to stay out of the bottom two spots in the table and, regrettably, we were unable to produce a performance to "christen" our improved facility with a win last Saturday when a lacklustre display enabled mid-table Langford to leave with the spoils after a 1-0 win. We now have three home games, tomorrow, Easter Saturday and the following Tuesday in which to put some daylight between ourselves and the other relegation strugglers two of which (Kentish Town and Cockfosters) will be our final two opponents of the season after the three earlier crucial home fixtures.

### CHANGES MADE.....

Mar 24, 2009, 10:57 am

## **TOM LOIZOU**

has today been installed as the Club's new **FIRST TEAM MANAGER**

Tom is a UEFA "A" Licence holder and brings to the Club a wealth of experience gained over a long period in management mostly at a higher level. Following a spell as Youth and Reserve Team Manager at Leyton Orient he was Caretaker Manager of that League Club's First Team for a while and Director of their Centre of Excellence before moving on to Crown & Manor to run their International Soccer Academy. Managerial spells at Cheshunt, Enfield, Leyton and finally a second spell at Cheshunt when they were a Level 3 Club followed.

Tom brings with him trusted lieutenants in Charlie Douse and Paul McGiven who will be Assistant Managers with Charlie also taking the role of First Team Scout and Paul that of First Team Coach.

The new Management will take charge of the team for the first time at this coming Thursday's visit to Hertford Town and their first Home game will be two days later when Biggleswade United visit Coles Park

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*This month, change is also the order of the day for the Womens Team as after nearly five seasons as Manager/Coach **ERIC BIKUBI** has now of necessity relinquished his position. The Club greatly appreciate and thank him for all the hard work and time he has devoted to the role. Eric is starting up his own business, in partnership with Mohamed Bolaji who has been his Assistant this season and we wish them both well in their new venture. To see the season out Borough have been lucky to secure the assistance of a Level 3 Coach, **DARREN SMITH** - who is on the staff of the London FA - and we certainly hope he can guide us to safe retention of our long held Premier Division status in the remaining eleven games - actually half a seasons fixtures !*

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## DOUBLE WEEKEND DELIGHT SEES BOROUGH.....

Mar 15, 2009, 11:09 pm

### .....**OUT OF THE RELEGATION SPOTS**

On Saturday 14th our FIRST TEAM secured three vital points in a hard fought home "local derby" with Broxbourne Bolrough which lifted them to 3rd from bottom of the table above Cockfosters and Holmer Green.

Not to be outdone the WOMENS team similarly climbed out of the drop zone on Sunday with an emphatic 6-1 win away to Cambridge United which leaves them above both their victims and Kettering Town

Full Reports on "Fixtures and Results" page

## LOSING STREAK ENDED IN STYLE

Mar 6, 2009, 1:51 am

### **BOROUGH PICK UP 3 VITAL POINTS AT BIGGLESWADE UNITED**

Borough did not look likely winners during the first half hour and it was no surprise when Biggleswade took the lead midway through the half when a corner fell at the feet of an opponent just a yard from goal. But just before half time an astute pass by Paull Abbott sent Karl Lewis free to race towards goal and the referee had no hesitation in pointing to the spot as the 'keeper brought him down. The keeper did very well to push Abbott's well struck spot kick onto a post but in the scramble which followed Leon Rolle drove the ball home from a tight angle. The second half belonged to Borough and after 75 minutes Niall Ritchie directed a downward far post header accurately inside the post. Five minutes later, Abbott raced clear down the right from inside his own half and finished with a clinical low shot. Lewis almost scored a similar goal as he raced clear down the middle but pushed the ball a little too far ahead and enabled the 'keeper to fall on it. Borough survived what looked to be a reasonable penalty appeal by the home side but never looked in real danger of surrendering their lead. With Cockfosters losing at home to Leverstock Green Borough's campaign to keep out of the bottom two spots received a massive boost and the bottom of the table now reads

BRIMSDOWN ROVERS played 28 points 24

KENTISH TOWN	22	22
HARINGEY BOROUGH	25	21
COCKFOSTERS	25	16
HOLMER GREEN	26	14

**John Ullman Cup: VCD Athletic 1-2 Haringey Borough (aet)**

*Mar 6, 2009, 12:52 am*

## **Dramatic Night As Under 18s Overcome The Odds**

Haringey Borough's youth team traveled to Crayford in Kent to face VCD Athletic in the Kent Cup Quarter Final on Thursday night. Borough had a depleted squad with many players out through injury and illness following two cup matches going to extra-time and penalties in the last 7 days.

The first half saw VCD take the lead, followed by a great penalty save by McCarthy to stop Athletic doubling their winning margin, and finally a late equaliser by Espana to make it 1-1 at half time.

Borough played the majority of the second half with ten men, however they grew stronger and looked the more likely winner. This proved to be the case when 10-man Haringey hit the winning goal in added on time in extra-time when Hand raced through and clinically finished in the bottom left hand corner to set off wild scenes of celebration.

Haringey will face either Dartford or Dover in the semi final in a few weeks time.

**COLWYN CUP QUARTER FINAL - COCKFOSTERS 1-1 HARINGEY BOROUGH (BORO WIN 6-5 ON PENS)**

*Feb 27, 2009, 1:21 am*

## **Borough Youth Scrape Through To Cup Semi**

Haringey Borough U18s have reached the semi-final of the Colwyn Cup after beating Cockfosters FC 6-5 on penalties on Thursday night. The final score was 1-1 after 90 minutes and so it remained after extra-time to take the tie to the dreaded penalty shoot-out. Michael Hand missed Borough's first penalty, but then 6 scored penalties in a row from Angel, Barzey, Phinn-Acher, Fontanini, Espana and Hayes ensured that Borough progressed to meet either Stevenage or Wormley in the semi-final.

Michael Hand scored Haringey's goal minutes after Cockfoster took the lead in the second half. Substitute Barzey cut inside from the left onto his right foot and played a sweet ball into Hand's path, Hand then controlled well before lifting the ball into the net.

Prior to Cockfoster's first goal McCarthy in the Boro goal made an outstanding penalty

save to keep the scores level. The central defensive pairing for Haringey of Gennaris and Phinn-Archer were exceptional all night as Boro put in an extremely hard-working team performance to make up for the fact that they weren't at their free flowing best.

Next week Borough U18s face Bury Town on Monday in the Brian Hitchings Cup, before travelling to VCD Athletic on Thursday in the John Ullmann Cup Quarter-Final.

### UNCERTAINTY IS OVER...

*Jun 12, 2009, 12:50 pm*

## **SPARTAN SOUTH MIDLANDS CONSTITUTION ANNOUNCED FOR 2009/10**

The League has today announced its Constitution for the new Season. In the event the bottom two Clubs were not relegated. The two lowest placed Clubs without the appropriate Ground Grading lost their places so we will not be visiting either Cockfosters or Holmer Green next season (Holmer Green were one of the bottom 2 Clubs anyway). Kentish Town who were rock bottom are reprieved. By the same token Kings Langley who finished 2nd in Division One are not promoted because of Ground Grading issues and instead third placed Hatfield Town are up along with Champions Royston Town. Coming down are Hillingdon Borough from the Ryman League and Dunstable Town from the Southern League - the latter on account of a massive points deduction after the season had ended on account of ineligible players.

The Constitution was ratified at the League AGM on 20th June and the 21 teams Borough will be facing are:-

Aylesbury Biggleswade United Brimsdown Rovers Broxbourne Borough V & E  
Chalfont St. Peter Colney Heath Dunstable Town Hanwell Town  
Harefield United Hatfield Town Hertford Town Hillingdon Borough  
Kentish Town Kingsbury London Tigers Langford Leverstock Green  
Oxhey Jets Royston Town St. Margaretsbury Tring Athletic  
Welwyn Garden City

The First League game will be on Saturday August 8th

### PREPARATIONS UNDER WAY FOR

*Jun 5, 2009, 6:55 pm*

## **NEW SEASONS OPENING WEEKS**

**THE MENS TEAM** will begin their preparations for the new Spartan South Midlands League Premier Division season on **Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> July** with the triumvirate of TOM LOIZOU, CHARLIE DOUSE and PAUL McGIVEN, who successfully staved off the threat of relegation in the closing weeks of last season eager for the opportunity to chase success from a clean start.

The initial meeting place will be the Clubhouse at our Coles Park Stadium in White Hart Lane at 10. am

The teams pre-season Friendly schedule has been completed with 5 matches - all at Coles Park - of which 3 will be against Step 4 Clubs.

First up will be POTTERS BAR TOWN of Ryman Division 1 on Tuesday 21st July at 7.45pm. ENFIELD1893, last seasons runners-up in the Essex Senior League will be there on Saturday 25th July at 3pm. Ryman Division one side ILFORD follow on Tuesday 28th July (7.45pm) and UXBRIDGE of the British Gas Southern League Division 1 will be the opposition on Saturday 1st. August. The programme will be completed on Wednesday 5th August (7.45pm) by the visit of NEW SALAMIS FC, the Champions of the KOPA League last season. Competitive matches will begin on Saturday 8th August.

Potential new players who feel they have the ability to play at Step 5 in the National Game Pyramid and would like to be invited for a trial are welcome to send their playing cv to [ClubSecretary@haringeyboroughfc.com](mailto:ClubSecretary@haringeyboroughfc.com) for consideration by the Team Manager and Coaches.

**A MONTHS REST NOW.....**

*Jun 3, 2009, 12:33 pm*

## **â€¦â€¦â€¦â€¦â€¦â€¦â€¦â€¦ IT ALL STARTS AGAIN**

Pre Season Training time is almost here.

**THE WOMEN** will be first out of the blocks, determined to maintain their superb closing run of 10 wins, one draw and one defeat which took them out of the relegation spots to within one win of the runners up position.

Sessions will take place every **TUESDAY & THURSDAY** at 7.30pm from Tuesday **JUNE 23<sup>rd</sup>** & Thursday **JUNE 25<sup>th</sup>** onwards until further notice.

The venue will be **LORDSHIP RECREATION GROUND, LORDSHIP LANE, TOTTENHAM, N17 7QU**. The entrance to the park is opposite Waltheof Avenue and a map can be obtained by clicking on "Location Details" on the left and scrolling down to Lordship Recreation Ground. Its about a 5 minute ride on bus route 243 from Wood Green Underground Station (destination Waterloo) which passes the ground - as does route 123 (destination Ilford) but that uses a different route and takes longer, The entrance is about a 5 minute walk from the Westbury Avenue/The Roundway/Lordship Lane junction which is served by buses on routes 144, 217, 231 and 444.

Potential new players are welcome to attend but it is recommended that they phone KARLA on 07776 153515 before attending for the first time as late changes are sometimes necessary.

Two pre-season Friendlies at Coles Park have been arranged for the afternoons of Sunday 26th July and Sunday 2nd August when the visiting opponents will respectively be PANTHERS (of the London & South East Region Premier Division) and TOTTENHAM HOTSPUR (of the South East Combination - the League into which Borough are hoping to be promoted by a successful campaign in the coming season)

**THATS IT FOLKS.....**

*May 24, 2009, 9:54 pm*

## **AT LAST ITS OVER**

It fell to Borough Women to bring down the curtain on the Club's season - which has run for nearly 10 and a half months starting with a game on 12th July last - with a home game at Coles Park against Hethersett Athletic.

In that Borough won 2-0 it was a satisfactory finale, but the season came to an unhappy end as the game had to be stopped prematurely after 70 minutes when a visiting player fell awkwardly and hit her head on the bone hard ground necessitating an ambulance. It is understood she was released from North Middlesex Hospital after a few hours with her neck braced.

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**FOR A COMPLETE LIST OF GAMES AND RESULTS FOR ALL THE CLUBS TEAMS IN THE SEASON NOW ENDED CHANGE THE YEAR AT THE TOP OF THE COLUMN ON THE LEFT TO "08/09" THEN CLICK ON "Fixtures & Results" BELOW**

**AWARDS NIGHT**

*May 23, 2009, 12:07 am*

**BOROUGH'S END OF SEASON PRESENTATION EVENING TOOK PLACE AT THE WOOD GREEN SOCIAL CLUB ON THE EVENING OF FRIDAY 22<sup>nd</sup> MAY**

*THE INDIVIDUAL AWARD WINNERS FOR SEASON 2008/09 WERE:-*

**PLAYERS PLAYER OF THE SEASON**

Under 13s Team      *GEORGI HADIZIEV*

Under 16s Team      *DAHIR ABDIRAHAMAN*

Under 17s Team      *JORGE GONZALEZ*

Under 18s Team (*voting tied*) *DAMIEN McCARTHY & SHPRESIM VULAJ*

Womens Team      *TANYA BEVERLEY*

**TOP GOALSCORER**

Under 13s Team      *SINNAN ABULLAHI*

Under 16s Team      *DAHIR ABDIRAHAMAN*

Under 17s Team      *JESSE COURTNEY*

Under 18s Team      *MICHAEL HAND*

Womens Team      *SAMUELLA KING*

## MOST IMPROVED PLAYER

Under 13s Team	<i>HALIL RECENBER</i>
Under 16s Team	<i>CHARLIE CLARK</i>
Under 17s Team	<i>YASSER TAZI</i>
Under 18s Team	<i>REDI BADURI</i>
Womens Team	<i>CHERKISH YOUNG</i>

## MANAGERS PLAYER OF THE SEASON

Under 13s Team	<i>VERI SIRINGUL</i>
Under 16s Team	<i>ABRAHAM ADJEI KOODOM</i>
Under 17s Team	<i>MICHAEL GENNARIS</i>
Under 18s Team	<i>GUSTAVO ANGEL</i>
Womens Team	<i>KARLA PARKER</i>

### DISAPPOINTING END TO THE SEASON AS.....

*May 12, 2009, 12:26 am*

## *UNDER 18s JUST FALL AT FINAL HURDLE*

A 2-0 defeat at Waltham Abbey, with one goal coming within seconds of the start and a late clincher after a closely contested Colwyn Cup Final, meant the Club's season would be trophyless.

### UNDER 18s.....

*May 2, 2009, 11:08 am*

## .....CUP FINAL DATE AND VENUE ANNOUNCED

The UNDER 18s COLWYN CUP FINAL against **WALTHAM ABBEY** will take place on

**MONDAY 11th MAY 2009**

Kick off 7.30pm

at the ground of Waltham Abbey FC which is:-

**"CAPERSHOTTS", SEWARDSTONE ROAD, WALTHAM ABBEY, ESSEX, EN9 1LU**

### SEMI-FINAL WIN KEEPS BOROUGH'S SEASON ALIVE...

*Apr 27, 2009, 10:54 pm*



## ..... & STILL IN WITH A CHANCE OF SILVERWARE

THIS SEASON. OUR 6 TEAMS HAVE ENTERED 24 COMPETITIONS BETWEEN THEM AND THE UNDER 18s ARE THE ONLY TEAM WITH THIS REMAINING HOPE OF "GLORY" - AND A WELL DESERVED OPPORTUNITY AS THEY OVERCAME STEVENAGE BOROUGHs UNDER 18s IN A THRILLING COLWYN CUP SEMI-FINAL AT COLES PARK EDGING HOME 2-1 WITH A LATE GOAL.

**THEIR OPPONENTS IN THE FINAL WILL BE WALTHAM ABBEY AND THE MATCH WILL PROBABLY BE PLAYED AT ABBEY'S CAPERSHOTTS GROUND. WATCH THIS WEBSITE FOR DETAILS OF THE DATE AND KICK OFF TIME (May 11th and 14th are possible dates)**

THE UNDER 18s HAVE BEEN THE STARS OF A DISAPPOINTING SEASON AND FOR A LONG WHILE LOOKED LIKELY TO WIN THEIR LEAGUE DIVISION ONLY TO FALL AT THE LAST BY LOSING THEIR FINAL GAME BY THE ODD GOAL IN THREE. AND THEY EXITED THE JOHN ULLMAN CUP AT THE SEMI-FINAL STAGE LOSING A MULTI GOAL THRILLER TO A VERY STRONG CRAY WANDERERS SIDE BY 3-5 AT COLES PARK.

FOR THE MENS AND WOMENS TEAMS THE ONLY CAUSE FOR CELEBRATION HAS BEEN THE LATE SURGES WHICH HAVE SEEN BOTH ESCAPE FROM THE RELEGATION WHICH HAD EARLIER SEEMED A QUITE LIKELY OUTCOME.

THE THREE YOUTH TEAMS IN THE CHESHUNT YOUTH LEAGUE HAVE ALL ACQUITTED THEMSELVES WELL AND WILL PROBABLY ALL FINISH THIRD IN THEIR RESPECTIVE DIVISIONAL TABLES.

### ON THE BOTTOM - BUT NOT FOR LONG

*Sep 2, 2009, 12:32 am*

Borough's defeat by Kingsbury London Tigers on Tuesday evening (25th August) sent us to the foot of the table. A not unfamiliar habitat over the years ! But our tenancy on this occasion was pleasingly brief as a fine 2-0 win over Hertford Town the following Saturday lifted us above both Kentish Town and Hanwell Town who were in FA Cup action, although Hanwell do have a game in hand on us.

### FIRST TEAM GET TOUGH LEAGUE KNOCK OUT COMPETITION DRAWS

*Aug 5, 2009, 11:32 pm*

In the Spartan South Midlands League Trophy, Borough have been drawn AWAY to HERTFORD TOWN in the First Round to be played on Tuesday September 8th (FA Vase replays permitting). If they survive that test then they would face either DUNSTABLE

TOWN or TRING ATHLETIC at Coles Park in the 2nd Round. Progress would see them away in the 3rd Round, at Home in the Quarter-final and away in the Semi-final

Their only easy Draw is in the Premier Division Cup in which they have been given a First Round bye. In the 2nd Round they will be AWAY to either LANGFORD or KINGSBURY LONDON TIGERS. Victory there would see them travel to either ROYSTON TOWN, DUNSTABLE TOWN, HILLINGDON BOROUGH or HAREFIELD UNITED in the Quarter-final. A semi-final tie would be at HOME

### **BOROUGH WOMEN GET TOUGH CUP DRAWS**

*Jul 30, 2009, 1:56 pm*

Borough Women now know their opponents in the early rounds of the three knock out competitions entered.

**In the FA WOMENS CUP** they have a bye in the Preliminary Round and will be at home to WANDGAS who finished 3<sup>rd</sup> in the London & South East Regional League Premier Division last season on Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> September.

**In the EASTERN REGION WOMENS LEAGUE CUP** history has repeated itself as they will visit WOODBRIDGE TOWN in the First Round on October 4<sup>th</sup> and that will be an early opportunity to avenge the defeat suffered at Notcutt Park in last seasons Quarter Final tie. If they get past "The Woodpeckers" then another difficult away tie awaits as they will visit either CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY or HUNTINGDON TOWN and the University who won the Competition last season are obviously favourites to win their First Round match.

**In the LONDON WOMENS CUP** Borough visit HAMPSTEAD of the Greater London League in the First Round on October 18<sup>th</sup>. Victory would most likely result in a local derby with TOTTENHAM HOTSPUR of the South East Combination who will start as favourites in their First Round tie with HACKNEY, also of the Greater London League. If Spurs are defeated then a National League side – either ARSENAL or WEST HAM UNITED will visit Coles Park for a semi-final game.

### **BOROUGH GET HOME DRAWS IN COUNTY CUP**

*Jul 11, 2009, 1:42 pm*

## ***LONDON SENIOR CUP DRAW ANNOUNCED***

BOROUGH could go right through to the semi-final of their County Cup without leaving Coles Park. They have been drawn at home in the first 4 rounds and there are no replays.

In the First Round (probable date Tuesday October 6th) they have been drawn at home to ERITH & BELVEDERE of the Bulmers Cider Kent League.

Victory over "The Deres" would then see them entertain the winner of the game between fellow Spartan Leaguers KINGSBURY LONDON TIGERS and FISHER FC - the club just risen from the ashes of Fisher Athletic the former Blue Square South Club and also now playing at Step 5 in the Bulmers Cider Kent League

Further success would result in a visit from CRAY WANDERERS of the Rymans League Division One South in the Third Round.

Success in that would secure a quarter final game against the winners of the third round match between WELLING UNITED of the Blue Square South League or CROYDON ATHLETIC, another Rymans Division One South Club.

If they reached the semi-final, BOROUGH would be the away team.

The full draw is on the London FA website to which there is a link from our site (see left column)

## ARRANGEMENTS ANNOUNCED FOR.....

*Jul 2, 2009, 11:47 pm*

# *..PRE-SEASON TRAINING & TRIALS*

*THE MENS TEAM* will begin their preparations for the new Spartan South Midlands League Premier Division season on Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> July under the aegis of TOM LOIZOU and CHARLIE DOUSE - two of the triumvirate who successfully staved off the threat of relegation in the closing weeks of last season, now eager for the opportunity to chase success from a clean start.

The initial meeting place will be the Clubhouse at our Coles Park Stadium in White Hart Lane **at 10.00 am** on Saturday July 4th

Therafter training will be on Tuesdays and Thursdays with the meeting place again being the Club House at Coles Park at **7.00 pm** (but not on July 21st & 28th when there are pre-season friendly games)

The actual training sessions will be a few hundred yards along the road at "The Old Pond Park", White Hart Lane Recreation Ground, which is at the junction of White Hart Lane and Wolves Lane.

### **Please note that these are not "open to all" sessions but are by invitation**

**only.** The Club is not currently seeking to enlarge its squad and we field only one Mens Team which plays at Step 5 in the National Pyramid. If you have have considerable experience and a proven track record at Step 5 or above you should send a football cv to [ClubSecretary@haringeyboroughfc.com](mailto:ClubSecretary@haringeyboroughfc.com) for consideration by the Team Manager/Coaches-

*Note that the above applies only to the Mens Team. Details of the Womens Team training can be found by clicking on the TRIALS AND TRAINING option on the left and selecting "Details Women".*

*Details of Youth Training will appear later when known*

# ***BOROUGH'S CUP OPPONENTS ANNOUNCED***

The FA made their Draws for the early rounds of three of their National Competitions today.

Borough's draws are:-

## **FA CUP sponsored by E.ON**

Extra Preliminary Round on 15th August AWAY to HAREFIELD UNITED (runners up in Spartan South Midlands League Premier Division)

*THEN IF SUCCESSFUL*

Preliminary Round on 29th August HOME to BIGGLESWADE TOWN (Champions of the Spartan South Midlands League Premier Division & promoted to Zamaretto League Division 1 Midlands)

*THEN IF SUCCESSFUL*

1st Qualifying Round on 12th September HOME to CHESHUNT or MALDON TOWN (both Rymans Division One North)

## **FA CARLSBERG VASE**

1st Qualifying Round on 5th September AWAY to HARPENDEN TOWN (Spartan South Midlands League Division One)

*THEN IF SUCCESSFUL*

2nd Qualifying Round on 18th or 20th September AWAY to HADLEY (runners up in Spartan South Midlands League Division 2 and promoted to Division 1)

*THEN IF SUCCESSFUL*

1st Round Proper on 3rd October AWAY to BICESTER TOWN (Hellenic League Premier Division) or BOWERS & PITSEA (Essex Senior League) or LEVERSTOCK GREEN (Spartan South Midlands League Premier Division)

## **FA YOUTH CUP sponsored by E.ON**

Preliminary Round in week commencing 7th September AWAY to THAMESMEAD TOWN

*THEN IF SUCCESSFUL*

1st Qualifying Round in week commencing 21st September AWAY to HANWELL TOWN or NORTH GREENFORD UNITED

*THEN IF SUCCESSFUL*

2nd Qualifying Round in week commencing 5th October HOME to HAYES & YEADING UNITED or WELLING UNITED or AFC WIMBLEDON or KENTISH TOWN

## **MORE FOOTBALL AT COLES PARK AS BOROUGH REACH A**

*Jun 21, 2009, 1:14 pm*

### ***GROUND SHARE AGREEMENT***

There will be few, if any, Saturdays when football is not available for spectators at Coles Park in 2009/10 as Borough have concluded a Ground Sharing Agreement with Spartan South Midlands Division One Club **SPORT LONDON E BENFICA**

For Borough it provides a much needed source of additional income and enables Sport London to remain in Senior football following the non-renewal of last seasons arrangement to play at Hanwell Town's Reynolds Fields Stadium.

## **A PLEASANT LATE SURPRISE.....**

*Jun 20, 2009, 8:55 pm*

### ***..... AN AWARD TO BE PROUD OF***

Although the Club's teams endured a trophy free season on the field there was a late reward for us at the Spartan South Midlands league AGM.

The ASSOCIATION OF SPARTAN SOUTH MIDLANDS LEAGUE MATCH OFFICIALS make a presentation to the Club to which they have given the highest average mark over the season and in 2008/09 **HARINGEY BOROUGH** won their

### ***SPORTSMANSHIP AWARD***

## **CUP SUCCESSES FOR BOROUGH TEAMS**

*Nov 8, 2009, 7:25 pm*

Use "FIXTURES & RESULTS" option for Reports on both matches.

***BOROUGH WOMEN*** won the fourth match of their WFA Cup campaign and put themselves into tomorrows 2nd Round Proper draw with a fine 3-1 win over visitors Barking from the same League and Division. An even game throughout was effectively swung in Borough's favour by an outstanding demonstration of speed, persistence, ball control and clinical finishing by hat-trick heroine Aishah Bolaji; but it needed a gritty team performance with all Borough's players putting in a determined 90 minute shift and everyone responded wholeheartedly. Their reward is a 2nd Round visit to LEWES of the South East Combination, the League which Borough would enter if promoted.

**BOROUGH UNDER 16s** also played their counterparts from Barking in the second round of the London County Cup and after taking a 3-0 lead through their own hat-trick hero, Terrell Hunter, defended stoutly to run out 3-2 winners. Their reward will be a trip to South East London to meet the winners of the tie between Elms Junior FC and Orpington Rovers.

#### **BOROUGH WOMEN STILL CHASING CUP GLORY**

*Oct 25, 2009, 10:54 pm*

BOROUGH WOMEN finally made it into Competition Proper of the FA Womens Cup sponsored by E.ON after a nervous Third Qualifying Round encounter with visiting Eastbourne Town who led at half time and continued to do so until the 79<sup>th</sup> minute when a fine individual goal by Marianne Sheena followed by a close range blast from Aisha Bolaji five minutes later secured the vital reversal of fortunes

Borough go into tomorrows draw for the First Round Proper (on 8<sup>th</sup> November) as one of 19 survivors from the 161 hopefuls who began their campaigns in the Qualifying competition

#### **UNDER 18s ON COURSE FOR DIVISIONAL TITLE**

*Oct 22, 2009, 10:05 pm*

A vital away win on the ground of the Divisional leaders Harpenden Town put the Under 18s in the controlling seat of the Nemean Division of the Southern Counties Floodlit Youth League this evening

They remain a point behind Town but have 2 games in hand and, most importantly, have dropped less points than any other team in the Division.

First half goals by Joshua Barzey, Yasser Tazi-Mousif and Finbarr Robins secured their 3-0 victory in a hard fought match.

#### **MIDWEEK WIN SENDS BOROUGH WOMEN TO TOP OF TABLE**

*Oct 21, 2009, 11:19 pm*

Wednesday evenings midweek 3-0 home win over Stevenage Borough sent Haringey Borough Women to the top of the Premier Division of the Eastern Region Womens League.

4 teams have 15 points but Haringey's goal difference is the best of the group -the others being Hethersett Athletic (who have played one game more) Barking and Braintree Town.

Unfortunately Borough's tenancy of the top spot is likely to be short lived for they are engaged in the final qualifying round of the WFA Cup on Sunday while second placed Hethersett Athletic will surely overcome struggling and currently point-less Taverham in their League fixture.

However, Borough will have an early opportunity to claw it back the following week when they will be visiting Hethersett in the League.

## A BOROUGH TEAM ON TOP OF THEIR LEAGUE

*Oct 5, 2009, 10:29 pm*

Their 2-0 win at Kentish Town this evening has moved Borough's UNDER 18s to the top of the Nemean Division of the Southern Counties Floodlit Youth League. They now have 10 points to Harpenden Town's 8 with both teams having played 4 games.

As they have no game until 22nd October they will probably be knocked off their perch by then but will obviously have a game in hand. The 22nd October game is the vital away fixture at second placed Harpenden Town.

## TWO VERY RARE EVENTS !!

*Sep 20, 2009, 10:19 pm*

Four of Borough's eight teams were in action this weekend and a 100% success record was recorded.

Pride of place must go to the **WOMEN** who came back from three down against second in the table visitors Chelmsford City to win 5-3 (full report can be found under FIXTURES & RESULTS). It is a long time since any Borough team came from 3 goals behind to win.

The **RESERVES** (see previous article) won 6-4 while the **UNDER 17s** won their Cheshunt Youth League game with MINCHENDON by 3-2 and the **UNDER 16s** returned 2-1 winners from their Eastern Junior Alliance trip to Brentford FC Community Sports Trust.

## RESRVES OPEN WITH A WIN & A GOAL FEAST

*Sep 19, 2009, 8:48 pm*

The Reserves opened their League Season by bagging all three points in a high scoring game with Edmonton Golazo Reserves. Only one goal was scored in the first half as Mark O'Connell fired Borough ahead but two early second half goals by their opponents put Borough behind. The introduction of substitute Jason Bayford quickly changed the game as he fired a hat trick and when Mark Summers added a fifth it seemed all over. But the game was disrupted, first by the dismissal of an opposing player quickly followed by an injury to their 'keeper. Borough lost concentration and an own goal followed by a penalty pulled them back to 5-4 but with the opposition then reduced to 9 players by a further injury Borough finished in command and Bayford added his fourth to make the final score 6-4

## BOROUGH NOW RUNNING A RESERVE TEAM

*Sep 3, 2009, 11:41 am*

A new venture this season will see Borough running a RESERVE side again.

It will play in Division One of the ENFIELD ALLIANCE on Saturdays and home matches will be at the Enfield Playing Fields in Donkey Lane

The team will be Managed by Tony Cox

#### DISAPPOINTING RESUMPTION OF ACTION

*Jan 20, 2010, 2:33 am*

## LONDON SENIOR CUP

After their weather induced 44 day lay-off Borough finally played their first game of the new decade in the impressive surroundings of Dulwich Hamlet's Champion Hill stadium where they finally played FISHER in their 8 times postponed 2nd Round London Senior Cup game.

Borough can count themselves a little unfortunate not to have at least forced extra time but having taken the lead early in the second half were quickly undone first of all by a spectacular strike from distance and then failure to deal with a long ball out of defence at a time when they were making all the running and looking the more likely victors. But for all their second-half pressure and urgency they could not quite force home an equaliser. Fuller report in "Fixtures and Results" section.

#### NOTHING UNLUCKY ABOUT 13th AS.....

*Dec 13, 2009, 10:15 pm*

## .....**BOROUGH WOMEN GO TOP OF THE LEAGUE**

Borough took over top spot in the Eastern Region Premier Division against all the odds for they undertook their 220 mile round trip to Taverham with only 9 players.

So returning with a 13-0 victory was not really their expectation when they set off !! But it was some relief to discover that their opponents could only field 10.

With erstwhile leaders Peterborough going down 5-1 at Cambridge Univesity the tally of goals was sufficient to give Borough the edge on goal difference with 21 points from their 9 games and they have 5 games in hand on Peterborough

(Full report on FIXTURES & RESULTS page)

**AND**



## **UNDER 16s REACH COUNTY CUP SEMI-FINAL**

a 4-0 win at Orpington Rovers put Borough's Under 16s in the semi-final of the London Youth Cup. In the semi-final on 17th January, probably at Coles Park, they will face L.O.A.S.S of the Cheshunt Youth League.

### **SUNDAYS CUPS OF WOE**

*Nov 29, 2009, 10:30 pm*

**THE WOMENS TEAM'S** great FA Cup run finally came to an end at the fifth hurdle when they visited Lewes of the South East Combination, the League into which they would be promoted if their ambitions in that regard come to fruition. A goal within the first minute put them on the back foot right from the start and although no further scoring took place before half time a quick flurry of four further goals midway through the second half emphatically settled the game for the home side. But Borough never gave up and deserved the late consolation scored by Aishah Bolaji making their final defeat 1-5.

(Fuller report on FIXTURES & RESULTS page)

**THE UNDER 17 TEAM** were also in Cup action - visiting L O A S S to play their London County Cup Quarter Final on a bog of a pitch at Leyton but returned 0-3 losers

**THE UNDER 16 TEAM** should also have been in London County Cup quarter-final action at Orpington Rovers but the weather put paid to that and it was postponed for a second time on 6th December and will probably be rescheduled for 13th

### **WIN-LESS RUN CONTINUES**

*Nov 25, 2009, 1:00 am*

Although the **FIRST TEAM** were heavily defeated last night, and stretched their losing run to 6 games, the evening was not without its plus factors for after a depressing start which saw them 4 down in 27 minutes a spirited fight-back halved the deficit before half-time and for much of the second half it seemed possible that full recovery might be completed until two late goals extinguished that hope.

FULLER REPORT ON "FIXTURES & RESULTS" PAGE

### **NINE OUT OF TEN FOR BOROUGH WOMEN**

*Nov 22, 2009, 6:55 pm*

BOROUGH's **WOMENS TEAM** made it nine wins in the last ten games as they fought back from being two down at CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY's superb Fenner's Cricket ground to record a 3-2 win after falling behind for

the second successive Sunday. The win puts them in the quarter finals of the League Cup for which the draw has not yet been made.

Next Sunday they face their biggest ever test with a visit to LEWES in the 2nd Round Proper of the Womens FA Cup against a team from the League in which they would be playing if this seasons promotion campaign were successful.

## DETAILED REPORT ON FIXTURES & RESULTS PAGE

### YET ANOTHER CLOSE ENCOUNTER OF THE REGULAR KIND

*Nov 21, 2009, 10:42 pm*

Once again the **FIRST TEAM** returned empty handed after playing some fine football but, as has so often happened, falling to a late goal, this time at Broxbourne Borough. Of such results are relegation campaigns composed !! The lack of a cutting edge was the main difference between the two sides and, somewhat ironically, it was ex-Borough player, Murat Karagul - who has been scoring regularly all season - who set the home side on their winning path with the opening goal.

With Welwyn Garden City somewhat unexpectedly beating Harefield United 3-0 only goal difference keeps Borough off the bottom spot with Kentish Town one point above but also with a vastly inferior goal difference.

## DETAILED REPORT ON FIXTURES & RESULTS PAGE

### UNDER 18s EDGE CLOSER TO DIVISIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP

*Nov 19, 2009, 12:10 am*

**THE UNDER 18s** following their 4-2 win at Oxhey Jets on Wednesday 18th November, now need two wins from their last 3 games to clinch the Divisional Title and move into the Championship play off. A win and two draws would also have the same effect. The "obstacles" to be overcome are Tokyngton Manor (home and away) and Kentish Town (home)

Borough fell behind to an early goal and needed two late goals by Yasser Tazi to run out winners. His first was screwed into the net from a seemingly impossible angle and the second came in the dying moments of injury time just a few seconds after Borough 'keeper Arnold Amissi had repelled a close range free header to deny the hosts what looked like a golden opportunity to equalise.

The match was a great credit to both teams and it would not be fair to close without recording the superb organisation, helpfulness and hospitality provided by "The Jets" which would have done credit to a Senior Club game. And likewise to referee David Snaith who understood and accommodated the difficulties we had encountered in travelling to the match. The intention was to travel on a direct train to Carpenders Park from Euston, which would have got us there more than an hour before kick off, only to find on arrival there that all trains were cancelled, apparently due to a probable suicide somewhere up the line. And much credit also to Ben and Seb who devised a tortuous alternative route involving two underground trains, London Overground and taxis to get the team to the ground right on the intended kick off time. Not the best preparation for any match !

## DETAILED REPORT ON FIXTURES & RESULTS PAGE

### A WEEKEND OF MIXED FORTUNES

Nov 15, 2009, 10:44 pm

Although giving what may well have been their best performance of the season **THE FIRST TEAM** unfortunately slipped into the relegation zone through their 3-1 defeat at Aylesbury; Kentish Town's 6-2 win over Welwyn Garden City lifted them above Borough and only Welwyn GC now keep Borough off the bottom

By contrast, **THE WOMEN** moved into 2nd place in the Premier Division after their battling 3-2 win at leaders Peterborough who only remain top by 3 points but Borough have 5 games in hand on them

The **UNDER 16s** also had a 3-2 win away from home at Takeley in the Eastern Junior Alliance Chairman's Cup.

REPORTS OF THESE MATCHES CAN BE FOUND IN THE "FIXTURES & RESULTS" SECTION

The **UNDER 14s** also had a fine League win by 6-2 away to Enfield Elite but the **UNDER 17s** London County Cup Quarter Final fell foul of a waterlogged pitch and will now be played next Sunday. 22nd November.

### ANOTHER FINE DAY AS.....

Feb 20, 2010, 9:16 pm

## ***.....the REVIVAL GATHERS PACE***

BOROUGH had engineered a commanding position by half time at Hertford Town with a 3-0 lead. But they left their shooting boots in the changing rooms and after spurning several opportunities to put the game beyond reach had to rely on the defence for a solid performance in the last 25 minutes after Hertford pulled one back

But it all ended well.....

.....Borough are 9 points ahead of the Clubs occupying the relegation spots with games in hand on both of them

.....Borough's 21 points total leaves only a 4 point gap with 2 games in hand on the Club immediately above them

.....Borough's undefeated run was extended to 4 games

.....Borough have collected 10 points from the possible last 12

.....Borough completed their first "double" of the season

(fuller report under "Fixtures & Results")

#### GROUND SWITCH LEADS TO....

*Feb 13, 2010, 11:33 pm*

### **THREE MORE POINTS & HIGHEST SCORE OF THE SEASON**

Switching the match to our opponents ground owing to the doubts surrounding the playability of Coles Park proved to be a worthwhile exercise as Borough romped to their highest score of the season on the fine Recreation Ground surface. Lloyd Opara was the executioner in chief with a hat-trick (another first of the season for Borough) and Adam Scotcher was also on target for the second week running. But it was not all plain sailing as Borough conceded a soft goal after ten minutes or so and did not get back on terms until a minute from the interval. But the second half belonged to Borough.

Fuller report in "Fixtures & Results" Section

#### SECOND HALF REVIVAL BAGS

*Feb 6, 2010, 10:09 pm*

### **.....ANOTHER PRECIOUS POINT**

After a poor opening half which saw them 1-3 down at the interval, such was the domination of Borough in the later stages of the second half which brought two well deserved goals that they left Forde park feeling that 2 points had been lost rather than one gained.

Adam Scotcher took only seven minutes to open his scoring account after being signed the day previously but that was already just an equaliser following a soft opening goal for Langford.

Borough remain third from bottom but the draw lifted Borough three points clear of their nearest rivals Kentish Town who lost 3-0 at Chalfont St. Peter and they have a game in hand on them and a vastly superior goal difference

#### FIRST LEAGUE MATCH OF NEW DECADE LIFTS.....

*Jan 30, 2010, 9:38 pm*

## **BOROUGH OUT OF RELEGATION ZONE**

BOROUGH finally got to play a League match - their first since December 5th - and returned with a hard earned 1-0 victory from Biggleswade United's Second Meadow ground. The win lifted them above Kentish Town and to within 5 points of United with 3 games in hand of them. Lee Allen, signed the day before the match, slammed home the second half winner.

Bottom Positions are now

Hillingdon Borough P 21 19 pts

Biggleswade United P 22 19 pts

BOROUGH P 19 14 pts

Kentish Town P 20 12 pts

Welwyn Garden City P 23 9 pts

### **FIXTURE REVERSAL**

*Jan 26, 2010, 8:20 pm*

## **re 30th JANUARY FIRST TEAM GAME**

NOTE THAT THE MATCH WITH BIGGLESWADE UNITED (originally scheduled for Coles Park) HAS BEEN SWITCHED TO BECOME BIGGLESWADE UNITED'S HOME FIXTURE SO WILL BE PLAYED AT THEIR SECOND MEADOW GROUND

### **A BOROUGH TEAM WILL PLAY IN A CUP FINAL .....**

*Jan 24, 2010, 10:28 pm*

.....A LONDON COUNTY YOUTH CUP FINAL

THE **UNDER 16s** produced a superbly committed performance which deservedly makes them the First Borough team to reach a Cup Final this season.

Their semi-final victims were the hitherto unbeaten L.O.A.S.S (in full - The Leyton Orient Advanced Soccer School no less !) and Borough's

determined performance which included a Terrell Hunter hat-trick saw them through the semi-final tie by a 4-0 margin

A fuller report and Team Sheet can be found IN the "FIXTURES AND RESULTS" Section of the website

The final will be held on Sunday March 7th (2.30pm kick off) at a venue as yet unknown and their opponents will be either Manford Way or Redbridge Youth

#### MATCH UPDATE

*Jan 20, 2010, 8:46 pm*

**AMENDED DATE** - next weeks midweek game with Royston Town will now take place at Coles Park on **THURSDAY 28th JANUARY** not Tuesday 26th as originally scheduled

#### BOROUGH SIGN INTERNATIONAL STRIKER

*Jan 20, 2010, 8:42 pm*

We are delighted to be able to announce having secured the registration of DEWAYNE CLARKE who has represented JAMAICA and boasts an impressive c.v with Rotherham United among his past Clubs as well as Dulwich Hamlet, Boston United, Cheshunt (where he played at a time when our manager Tom Loizou was in charge there), Waltham Forest and - most recently - Harrow Borough

Borough's problem this season has been converting promising approach work into goals and with Dewayne now in tandem again with Lloyd Opara we are confident that opponents nets will bulge more often and that a successful climb to safety will soon begin.

#### BACK INTO THE DROP ZONE ...NOW OUT.... THANKS TO

*Apr 1, 2010, 11:02 pm*

#### **.....ANOTHER PRECIOUS AWAY POINT**

Two consecutive one goal defeats plunged Borough back into the relegation spots but a battling away point at St. Margaretsbury in which Borough had to come back from 2 down lifted them out of it albeit only on goal difference at the expense of Hillingdon Borough.

After Thursday night's games the bottom five are

Brimsdown Rovers	Played 32	Points 33	Negative Goal Difference 20
Kentish Town	36	30	64
Haringey Borough	32	27	20
Hillingdon Borough	33	27	44
Welwyn Garden City	34	15	79

### JUST OUT OF THE RELEGATION ZONE THANKS TO

Mar 20, 2010, 9:48 pm

## **.....a PRECIOUS AWAY POINT**

Borough brought back a vital away point from a hard fought game with Oxhey Jets at the Boundary Stadium and it was just enough to keep them out of the drop zone on - albeit only on goal difference. Borough and Hillingdon Borough both have 26 points but Haringey have a game in hand. Kentish Town's revival continued with a solitary goal victory over Hertford Town and they now have a point more than Borough but have played 4 games more.

### WEDNESDAY EVENING SUCCESS SEES.....

Mar 18, 2010, 12:26 am

## **UNDER 18s CLAIM DIVISIONAL TITLE**

A 3-0 win over Kentish Town enabled Ben Corbyn's successful Under 18 team to claim the Nemean Divisional Championship of the Southern Counties Floodlit Youth League. Superbly taken goals from Yasser Tazi and Ruaridh Kay, who both timed their runs to perfection to meet long free kicks, either side of a Rory Harvey effort from what looked like an impossibly tight angle saw them ahead by the interval. Although Kentish Town kept the defence on their toes throughout with some promising approach work they lacked the cutting edge to threaten Borough's comfortable lead even when Borough were reduced to ten by a red card. Borough have clinched the title with one game still to play which now has no great significance although it would be satisfying to preserve the unbeaten League record.

Borough will now enter into the play-offs with their first opponents being the winners of the Delphian Division - either Hemel Hempstead Town or Newport Pagnell Town at Coles Park on Monday 12th April. If successful they will meet the winners of the match between the winners of the other play-off between the winners of the Corinthian & Olympian Divisions to decide the League Championship.

#### **BOROUGH TAKE ON THE TOP 2...**

*Mar 18, 2010, 12:14 am*

### **MIXED FORTUNES AGAINST THE TITLE CONTENDERS**

Borough First Team played the first and second placed teams in the Premier Division at Coles Park in the space of 4 days.

On Saturday 13th leaders Chalfont St. Peter looked to have been beaten by Adam Scotcher's early goal only for a corner conceded deep into injury time to be forced home for an equaliser

But it was a different story against second placed Tring Athletic on Tuesday evening (16th) when Borough scored two goals as did their visitors, but unfortunately Borough targetted theirs at the wrong net and ended up 4-0 losers without ever testing the Tring custodian while Borough 'keeper Nick Christofi did well to keep the score down.

(fuller reports on both matches in the "Fixtures and Results" Section)

#### **BOROUGH RUN RIOT TO WIN 8-0 .....**

*Mar 10, 2010, 12:21 am*

### **RECORD SCORE**

Borough ran up their record score since joining the Spartan League in 1989 as they boosted their goal difference at the expense of their visitors Hillingdon Borough who remain one point above Haringey but have played a game more.

Adam Scotcher weighed in with a hat-trick, Mario Georgiou and Lloyd Opara bagged 2 each and Craig Scotcher scored his first goal for the Club as Haringey poured forward relentlessly right to the end.

(Fuller report on Fixtures and Results page)



## FINAL DISAPPOINTMENT FOR THE UNDER 16s

Mar 8, 2010, 1:06 pm

### **EXTRA TIME HEARTBREAK FOR UNDER 16s**

An extra time goal consigned Borough's Under 16s to the runners up medals at the Mile End Stadium on 7th March

Borough led until an equaliser some 15 minutes from time.

## THE SPOTLIGHT FALLS ON THE UNDER 16s

Mar 3, 2010, 2:00 pm

### **A CUP FINAL FOR BOROUGH**

Next Sunday, 7<sup>th</sup> March, is the big day for Tony Antoniou's very successful Under 16 team as they take on their counterparts from Redbridge of the Rymans League in the London Youth Cup Final for their age group.

To reach the Final they have overcome five hurdles en route with all but one of the margins being very substantial. Croydon Athletic away were their first victims at 7-2 followed by Birchmere also away 11-0, a narrow 3-2 win over Barking at Donkey Lane Playing Fields, a 4-0 away win at Orpington Rovers and another 4-0 away win in the semi-final at L.O.A.S.S (the Leyton Orient Advanced Soccer School)

The final will be at the Mile End Stadium with a 2.30pm kick off.

The team will be selected from the following squad who have done the Club proud this season:-

Goalkeepers : Sean Bazell , Max Wild

Defenders: Simon Nikolov, Andrew Panayi, Phanos Chambi, Craig Alfred, Mert Plaka, Oliver Bell. Oreoluna James Ogunleye,

Midfielders: Stvros Theocharis, Christopher Antoniou, Oliver Emsden, Tyrique Solomon, Dursam Morati, Alex Anderson, Olanrewaju Ahmed Balogun, Anteaus Charalambous.

Strikers: Andreas Anastasiou, Terrell Hunter

## UNBEATEN RUN ENDED.....

Mar 2, 2010, 11:40 pm

### ***....as* CONTROVERSIAL STOPPAGE TIME DECISION DEPRIVES BOROUGH OF A DRAW**

Defeat at Leverstock Green was a bitter pill to swallow for while no one would deny that we were outplayed by a fine team a wonder display by Borough' keeper Brian Sealey had kept us in the game; equally no one,

bar the relevant Assistant, would deny that we scored an injury time "equaliser" with the ball well over the line before the home keeper clawed it out.

Three seasons ago we were relegated on the strength of two Assistant Refs decisions which beggared belief; we can only hope that history is not about to repeat itself.

#### EMBARRASSING FINALE BUT BOROUGH STILL ACHIEVE.....

May 1, 2010, 10:10 pm

### .....HIGHEST FINISH SINCE 2001/02

Despite losing the 2 final games Borough still held on to 15th place in the table.

A 7-0 home defeat is not the ideal way to end the season but no-one had told Hanwell Town it was a meaningless mid-table end of season match ! The only question is whether they are the best team in the Division or if we just made them look like it. The truth is that going forward there is probably none better and they certainly sliced through our defence at will; but they may be a little suspect at the back for Borough went very close to securing a consolation or two.

Borough's campaign ended with them having played 50 Competitive games of which 14 were won, 9 drawn and 27 lost. 73 players were used. 75 goals were scored and 97 conceded. Charles Douse made the most appearances (42) with Bosun Adebaki and Billy Haspineall both one behind. Lloyd Opara was top scorer with 19 from 35 games while Adam Scotcher netted 10 from just 12 matches.

#### PROMOTION CHASERS BRING.....

Apr 23, 2010, 1:39 am

### **AN END TO THE 7 MATCH UNBEATEN RUN**

A game of such vital importance to the visitors who needed victory to maintain their position as probable Champions was obviously the fixture most likely to end Borough's remarkable late season revival. And so it proved after a thrilling 90 minutes which was decided by the odd goal in three in favour of Aylesbury by a goal about the validity of which opinion was sharply divided. But Borough need fear nobody if this squad and form can be carried forward to next season, at the end of which they could legitimately hope to find it their turn to be in Aylesbury's position.

## STOPPAGE TIME PENALTY SO.....

Apr 21, 2010, 12:42 am

### .....JOB DONE

Mario Georgiou's stoppage time penalty at Welwyn Garden City earned Borough the point which makes it mathematically impossible to finish in the bottom 2. "The Citizens" were already doomed to relegation on account of ground grading issues even in the unlikely event of them avoiding the bottom spot but if there had been winner of a tight game they probably deserved to have been such on account of the greater determination with which they approached the game - and they certainly did not look like the worst team in the Division.

Courtesy of Mr Barry Ward who video'd the game highlights can be seen on You Tube - here is the link <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xwvfkIDAJIs>

## FIFTH WIN ON THE TROT MEANS.....

Apr 17, 2010, 9:37 pm

### .....SAFETY - WITH 5 GAMES TO SPARE

Borough's extended their unbeaten run to 6 games and five consecutive clean sheet wins with what will sadly almost certainly be their last meeting with Brimsdown Rovers who are amalgamating with Enfield 1893 next season and playing in the Essex Senior League.

The 4-0 win at Goldsdown Road was not quite as easy as the scoreline suggests for Borough were reduced to ten players by a straight red card during the first half although fortunately they were two up by then and added a third soon afterwards and a fourth early in the second half which effectively settled the issue at that point.

The win lifts Borough to 15th place and secures *de facto* safety for although it is still mathematically possible for Borough to finish in the bottom two they would have to lose all 5 remaining games, Kentish Town would have to win their remaining two games (one of which is against Borough) and turn round an inferior goal difference of 56 in the process, Biggleswade United would have to win their last game (which is at Coles Park) by double figures and Hillingdon Borough would have to win all four of their remaining fixtures. So we can stop worrying !!

## ALMOST SAFE THANKS TO .....

Apr 13, 2010, 11:44 pm

## **A HAT-TRICK OF 1-0 HOME WINS**

Fortunately, Borough produced a battling team performance to prove that there is "life after Opara" whose recent run of vital goals has done so much to secure our Premier Division lifeline; unfortunately Lloyd will probably not play again this season after the injury which saw him carried off last Saturday having scored the games solitary goal for the second time in 3 days. This time it was Lee Allen who provided a fine strike of which Lloyd would have been proud halfway through the first half to send visiting Dunstable Town home empty handed - although there was no lack of effort on their part to avoid that outcome even though they are already too far behind the two leading Clubs to retain any Championship hopes.

With Borough now in 16th place on 39 points and 6 games left to play it would need a remarkable run of results by all of the five teams immediately below Borough (coupled with our failure to secure another 3 points from our remaining outings) to push us back into the drop zone.

### **THIRD WIN IN A WEEK LIFTS BOROUGH.....**

*Apr 10, 2010, 9:39 pm*

## **.....UP ANOTHER 2 PLACES**

Borough ground out another 1-0 win, courtesy of a 22nd minute penalty by Lloyd Opara - his third from the spot in his total of five goals in eight days - which coupled with results elsewhere raised Borough to 16th in the table. Two more wins will guarantee safety and one win would be sufficient if it were against Kentish Town. 42 points is the safety mark and the Clubs not yet there are:-

15 Hertford Town	37	11	6	20	45	71	-26	39
<b>16 Haringey Borough</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>-16</b>	<b>36</b>
17 Langford	38	10	6	22	63	104	-41	36
18 Biggleswade United	39	10	6	23	46	87	-41	36
19 Brimsdown Rovers	35	9	6	20	42	67	-25	33
20 Kentish Town	39	9	6	24	52	121	-69	33
21 Hillingdon Borough	36	6	9	21	41	97	-56	27
22 Welwyn Garden City*	37	7	4	26	41	117	-76	22

### **SOLITARY GOAL WIN LIFTS BOROUGH.....**

*Apr 8, 2010, 11:56 pm*

## **.....UP ANOTHER POSITION**

Lloyd Opara's goal early in the second half was enough to secure an edgy victory over visiting Brimsdown Rovers. The 3 points lifted Borough above Brimsdown on goal difference, both Clubs having played 34 games.

## ANOTHER HUGE STRIDE TOWARDS SAFETY ON A

Apr 3, 2010, 9:30 pm

### .....SUPER SATURDAY FOR BOROUGH

It must be a long time since Borough enjoyed a Saturday when just about everything went right for them.

They took a vital step towards salvation by their own efforts at Harefield United's Prenton Park stadium – so often a graveyard for Borough's hopes in both League and Cup encounters – to secure the 3 points which lifted them above Kentish Town with their battling 4-2 win. Borough's first League triumph there since 1997 after six unsuccessful attempts. Fuller report under FIXTURES & RESULTS

In other games Kentish Town lost 0-4 at Dunstable Town

Hillingdon Borough lost 0-1 at Hertford Town

Biggleswade United lost 0-10 at Aylesbury

Brimsdown Rovers lost 0-2 at Welwyn Garden City

With Borough having games in hand against all bar one of the bottom 7 teams it is now realistic to think of climbing above the three teams immediately above us and should anything be decided on goal difference it's a "no contest"

The situation at the foot of the table is now:-

	Played	Points	Negative GoalDifference
Biggleswade United	38	35	41
Langford	36	34	41
Brimsdown Rovers	33	33	22
Haringey Borough	33	30	18
Kentish Town	37	30	68
Hillingdon Borough	34	24	45
Welwyn Garden City	35	18	77

## ENGAND INTERNATIONAL SIGNING SECURES.....

Jul 24, 2010, 8:30 pm

### **...A WINNING START TO BOROUGH'S PRE-SEASON CAMPAIGN**

England Deaf International striker DANIEL AILEY who has re-signed for Borough having played a few seasons ago ensured pre-season started happily with 2 late goals after a goal-less draw at home to AFC Hayes had looked the likely outcome. As defenders stood off him in the 80th

minute he worked his way to the edge of the penalty box before arrowing a shot low into the corner. Terry Smith equalised for the visitors a few minutes later but when Ailey was held back as he tried to latch on to a free kick from the left he composed himself to smash the penalty low and hard to the keepers left.

It was a promising display from a squad not at all familiar with each other before today as of Borough's 16 man squad only 4 were with the Club last year although another 4 had previously been with us in earlier seasons.

Not to be outdone the Womens team, also fielding a number of new faces, won their first pre-season game on Sunday 25th by the same score against visiting Hutton.

Fuller report and squad details for both matches on "Fixtures and Results" page

**NOW PUBLISHED**

*Jul 18, 2010, 11:40 pm*

## **AUGUST LEAGUE FIXTURES RELEASED**

The Spartan League Fixtures for August have been issued. Borough start with a home game against DUNSTABLE TOWN on Saturday 7th August. The full list is available from the "Fixtures & Results" option on the left

**WOMEN'S TEAM ENJOYING SUCCESSFUL SUMMER**

*Jul 11, 2010, 2:50 pm*

## **....TWO SMALL SIDED TROPHIES ALREADY IN THE BAG**

The WOMENS TEAM are regular entrants of small sided summer tournaments and they have already been the winners of two high profile tournaments.

On Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> June, Islington held its first ever anti-homophobia and anti-racism football tournament. Labelled the **DIVERSITY CUP**, it was held to show the Borough of Islington recognises the achievements made in eradicating racism from football but the need for the process to be repeated with homophobia. Organised by Suran Dickson from Islington School Sports Partnership; a partner of Arsenal in the Community, and Michael MacNeill from the Islington Football Development Partnership which is part-funded by Arsenal in the Community, the event was held at Market Road and was open to both men and women. It was a resounding success and the football was played in the usual fun and competitive spirit while the message was taken seriously by all participants. In the **Women's competition**, the semi-finals ended up being a repeat of the opening games in the competition, with Henderson's Harriers repeating their 3-0 win over London

Front Runners, whilst **Haringey** beat Islington Borough 2-0. In a tight final at the end of a very hot day, **Haringey** clinched the Trophy with a 1-0 win.

On Saturday July 10th they won the **UNITY CUP**. This is an annual event started in 2007 as a commemoration of the 7/7/London bombings and brings together London's communities, social and corporate organisations and UK Government Departments. The core aim is to encourage the crossing of ethnic and religious barriers and to unite against terrorism, extremism and Islamophobia by bringing together young people of all religious, ethnic and social backgrounds through football to create a better world through the global appeal of the game. Our squad for the finals held at Paddington recreation ground was Cherkish YOUNG, Lekesha JAMES, Maria GOMES, Lekesha JAMES, Annika QUARTEY, Karla PARKER, Tanya BEVERLEY.

Not content with their days work they then played in the **HARINGEY WORLD CUP TOURNAMENT** on Sunday 11th in which only Tottenham Hotspur were able to condemn them to runners up medals only !

Fuller details of the two first mentioned tournaments can be obtained by following the links below.

[www.arsenalnews.co.uk/islington-hosts-first-ever-diversity-cup/link/45580](http://www.arsenalnews.co.uk/islington-hosts-first-ever-diversity-cup/link/45580)

[www.fcunity.com/unitycup2010/events.asp](http://www.fcunity.com/unitycup2010/events.asp)

## DISAPPOINTING "SAME LEAGUE" DRAWS

Jul 8, 2010, 1:51 pm

# FA CUP & VASE DRAWS ANNOUNCED

Borough's Cup campaigns offer little chance of tests against teams from other Leagues

## FA CUP sponsored by EON

Extra Preliminary Round - Home to Hillingdon Borough on 14<sup>th</sup> August

if successful Preliminary Round - Away to Burnham Ramblers or Hoddesdon Town on 28<sup>th</sup> August

if successful First Qualifying Round – Home to Chesham United on 11<sup>th</sup> September

(All Spartan South Midlands Clubs except Burnham Ramblers of the Essex Senior League and Chesham United of the Zamaretto League Premier Division)

## FA CARLSBERG VASE

First Qualifying Round - Away to Tokyngton Manor on 4<sup>th</sup> September

if successful Second Qualifying Round – Away to St. Margaretsbury or Oxhey Jets on 18<sup>th</sup> Sept.

if successful First Round Proper – Home to Tring Athletic on 2<sup>nd</sup> October

(All Spartan South Midlands Clubs although Tokyngton Manor's playing membership has been suspended as their ground was deemed unacceptable so where the match will actually be played remains to be seen. They will be playing in the Middlesex County League this season)

REMINDER.....

Jul 6, 2010, 9:56 pm

.....to **ALL LAST SEASONS SQUAD**

Pre-season starts this coming THURSDAY - 8th JULY

7pm at COLES PARK

EVERYTHING IN PLACE FOR THE NEXT CAMPAIGN

Jun 3, 2010, 11:30 pm

## **PREPARATIONS FOR 2010/11**

Plans for next season are now formulated.

The Club will be running only 2 Teams both playing in the same League and Division as last season. The Men in the Premier Division of the Spartan South Midlands League and the Women in the Premier Division of the Eastern Region Womens League. There will be no Youth Section

### **FOR THE MEN**

**TOM LOIZOU** will continue as the Team Manager

**FRANK FUSCHILLO** will continue as Assistant Manager

**ASA SANDERSON** will continue as Coach

**DARREN COON** will continue as Physio



NEW PLAYERS - It has been decided NOT to hold any "OPEN TRIALS" this season.

But players WHO HAVE PREVIOUS EXPERIENCE OF PLAYING AT STEP 5 (OR ABOVE) OF THE PYRAMID are invited to send their cv to the Club for consideration - by e-mail to ClubSecretary@haringeyboroughfc.com

LAST SEASONS SQUAD - Players registered with the Club at the end of last season should note that pre-season training will commence on Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> July and should assemble at Coles Park at 7pm sharp

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## **FOR THE WOMEN**

**MARK TWEED** will be Team Manager and Coach

**KARLA PARKER** will be the Team Administrator

Prospective new players and last seasons squad please note that pre-season training will commence on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> July (7.30pm) and be held on each Tuesday and Thursday thereafter. It will take place at the Lordship Lane Recreation Ground. Fuller particulars can be obtained by selecting the TRIALS & TRAINING option on the left and then clicking on WOMEN in the sub-menu.

### **SPARTAN SOUTH MIDLANDS LEAGUE CONSTITUTION ANNOUNCED**

*Jun 3, 2010, 1:33 pm*

## **23 TEAM PREMIER DIVISION NEXT SEASON**

There will be a 23 team Premier Division in 2010/11. The FA have acceded to the oft-made request of STOTFOLD FC for a sideways move from the United Counties League.

Other changes are as expected with AYLESBURY UNITED relegated from the Zamaretto League replacing last seasons Spartan Champions Aylesbury. HOLMER GREEN and HADLEY are promoted from Division One to replace relegated Welwyn Garden City and disbanded Brimsdown Rovers.

The complete make up of the Division is:-

1. Aylesbury United
2. Biggleswade United
3. Broxbourne Borough V&E
4. Chalfont St Peter
5. Colney Heath
6. Dunstable Town
7. Hadley
8. Hanwell Town
9. Harefield United
10. Haringey Borough
11. Hatfield Town
12. Hertford Town

13. Hillingdon Borough
14. Holmer Green
15. Kentish Town
16. Kingsbury London Tigers
17. Langford
18. Leverstock Green
19. Oxhey Jets
20. Royston Town
21. St Margaretsbury
22. Stotfold
23. Tring Athletic

Apart from Stotfold, only two new teams have been admitted to the League this season - St. Albans City Reserves and London Lions (Champions of the Herfordshire County League in 2009/10) and both will play in Division One. Tokyngton Manor's membership of Division One has been suspended for a season as their ground is not deemed suitable. Winslow United who withdrew from Division One last season are re-admitted to Division Two.

#### A SEASON WHICH DRAGGED ON AND ON BUT.....

May 30, 2010, 8:50 pm

### .....**AT LAST - ITS ALL OVER - BUT ONLY FOR 6 WEEKS**

It fell to the Womens Team to bring the curtain down on the season on the last Sunday in May when they entertained Cambridge University at Coles Park in a match for which the expression "meaningless mid-table end of season affair" might have been coined. Borough's 4-1 win lifted them into the top half of the table but for a team which led the table at Christmas and were then many peoples promotion favourites it was a disappointing end to their campaign.

A brief lull now beckons but the first two pre-season friendlies have already been arranged - for the **Mens** team - against Zamoretto League AFC Hayes on July 24th and Ryman's League Ilford on July 31st with both games scheduled for Coles Park.

The Womens Team have already made their pre-season trials/training plans and details can be obtained by clicking "Trials and Training" in the Menu Column and the selecting the WOMEN option. The Mens Team details will be published shortly. The Club will not be fielding Youth Teams in 2010/11

#### FAILURE AT SECOND HURDLE PUTS

Aug 28, 2010, 11:33 pm

## .....**BOROUGH OUT OF THE FA CUP**

Burnham Ramblers emphatically ended Borough's interest in this seasons FA Cup as a much changed Borough rear guard crumbled to send the team in five down at the interval. A disappointing outcome as the fine performance of the previous round had raised realistic hopes of a financially rewarding run. Fuller report on "Fixtures & Results" page.

### **SECOND HALF ONSLAUGHT DEFIED AS**

*Aug 25, 2010, 12:51 am*

## .....**BOROUGH TOPPLE LEAGUE LEADERS**

Despite being three up at the interval against a team reduced to ten men Borough were kept at full stretch throughout the second half but just edged home at the Middlesex Stadium against erstwhile League leaders Hillingdon Borough whose 100% record from their first four games was ended by Haringey's 3-2 win.

### **THROUGH TO THE PRELIMINARY ROUND**

*Aug 14, 2010, 8:33 pm*

## .....**STILL ON THE ROAD TO WEMBLEY**

After an uneventful first half Borough stepped up a gear and ran out comfortable 3-0 winners against Hillingdon Borough in the Extra Preliminary Round of the FA Cup. It was Borough's first FA Cup win since 2003 and will see them travelling to BURNHAM RAMBLERS, who beat Hoddesdon Town 2-1, in the Preliminary Round on 28th August.

### **FINAL DRAW ANNOUNCED**

*Aug 12, 2010, 2:05 pm*

## **LONDON SENIOR CUP DRAW ANNOUNCED**

We have drawn a bye in the First Round of the London Senior Cup. Our Second Round opponents (at Coles Park) will be either COCKFOSTERS of our own League or LEWISHAM BOROUGH (COMMUNITY) FC of the Kent County League.

If we make the Third Round we will be away to Cray Wanderers of the Rymans Premier League and survival of that test would see us visiting either REDBRIDGE or LEYTON or TOOTING and MITCHAM UNITED in the Quarter Finals. A Semi Final tie would also be away from home.

#### A DETERMINED BOROUGH PERFORMANCE SEES....

*Aug 11, 2010, 12:22 am*

### .....FIRST POINTS IN THE BAG

Borough had to battle for the full 90 minutes to secure their narrow victory over neighbours Broxbourne Borough - Richard Worrell's penalty right at the end of the first half being the only goal. Full report on "Fixtures & Results" page.

#### DISAPPOINTING START TO CAMPAIGN AS

*Aug 8, 2010, 12:22 pm*

### .....A GOOD PERFORMANCE EARNS NO REWARD

Two moments of controversy where both decisions went against Borough (i.e business as usual) cost us a point or 3 in our opening game with visiting Dunstable Town; although our own lacklustre finishing also played as big a part in the outcome. Fuller report in "Fixtures and Results" Section.

#### BEFORE EVEN KICKING A BALL.....

*Jul 28, 2010, 1:51 pm*

## ...BOROUGH ARE THROUGH TO THE 2nd QUALIFYING ROUND OF THE FA VASE

The FA have removed Borough's First Qualifying Round opponents (TOKYNGTON MANOR) from the Competition so the scheduled match on 4th September will not take place.

Borough will enter the CVompetition in the 2nd. Qualifying round away to the winners of the OXHEY JETS v ST. MARGARETSBURY tie.

#### MORE CUP DRAWS ANNOUNCED

*Jul 26, 2010, 12:39 pm*

## .....HOME DRAWS A-PLENTY IN LEAGUE'S KNOCK OUT COMPETITIONS

Borough enjoyed favourable draws in both the League Trophy and the Premier Division Cup

In the TROPHY they could go to the quarter final without leaving Coles Park. Their First Round opponents will be AMPHILL TOWN of Division One. Success would bring a visit from either DUNSTABLE TOWN (Premier Division) or PITSTONE and IVINGHOE (Division 2) and if they reach the Third Round their visitors would be THE 61FC (Division 2) or HAREFIELD UNITED (Premier Division) or PADBURY UNITED (Division 2). Any Quarter Final or Semi Final tie would be away from home.

In the PREMIER DIVISION CUP they will be visited by ST. MARGARETSBURY in the First Round. Success would see any further games away from home - at either BIGGLESWADE UNITED or BROXBOURNE BOROUGH in the second round and at LANGFORD or KENTISH TOWN in the Quarter Final. A Semi final tie would be away from home.

### **NO GOALS BUT.....**

*Oct 9, 2010, 11:10 pm*

## .....LOSING STREAK ENDED BY HARD FOUGHT DRAW

The three match losing streak which followed on from a four match winning sequence was ended by a goal-less draw with Colney Heath at Coles Park although it was the visitors who went very close to finding the net on several occasions as Borough posed little threat up front and relied on some sterling defensive work to preserve the point.

Fuller report on Fixtures & Results page

### **TRING ATHLETIC MAKE IT A MISERABLE WEEK FOR BOROUGH.....**

*Oct 3, 2010, 3:43 pm*

## .....OUT OF THE VASE

On Saturday 2nd October Tring Athletic visited Coles Park for the second time in less than a week and dumped Borough out of the FA Carlsberg Vase by 3-1 having left on Tuesday with the 3 League points through a 2-1 win.

Borough played well in both games but the well organised and experienced visitors are unbeaten in League matches and have lost only one game this season at Wealdstone in the FA Cup

#### ANOTHER FIVE GOAL HAUL PUTS BOROUGH.....

Sep 22, 2010, 12:55 am

## .....*THROUGH TO THE 2nd ROUND OF THE PREMIER DIVISION CUP*

Knock-out football clearly agrees with Borough as they notched up their third 5 goal haul in the space of 7 days. But while they were always in control of the first two games they were pushed all the way by St. Margaretsbury this time. After a goal-less first half Borough scored twice in the first five minutes of the second half through Jamie Brandon and an own goal forced by Miguel Martins surging run, only to throw away the lead in the next 15 minutes and then fall behind. Daniel Ailey's 89th minute penalty put them level but 5 minutes into extra time "The Bury" were ahead again as Joe Rudkin completed his hat-trick. Luke Bryan turned in Borough's equaliser before the half way point and another Daniel Ailey penalty in the 116th minute put Borough through to visit Broxbourne Borough in the 2nd Round as they won 2-1 at Biggleswade United, with both of their goals coming from former Borough players Bradley Drisdale and Murat Karagul.

#### BOROUGH TURN ON THE STYLE AS 5-2 PUTS THEM

Sep 18, 2010, 11:10 pm

## .....*THROUGH TO FIRST ROUND PROPER OF THE FA CARLSBERG VASE*

Borough dominated their second qualifying round tie at Oxhey Jets running up a three goal lead before conceding but then quickly adding two more to make the game safe with Oxhey just netting a late consolation.

Filler report on Fixtures & Results page

In the First Round Proper they will meet another Spartan South Midlands side - Tring Athletic at Coles park on 2nd October - just 4 days after the same Club's visit for a League match.

#### LEAGUE TROPHY SUCCESS AS...

Sep 14, 2010, 11:51 pm

## ..... MUCH CHANGED TEAM SEES BOROUGH SAFELY THROUGH TO SECOND ROUND OF LEAGUE TROPHY

Manager Tom Loizou took the opportunity to give starts to several players more accustomed to being on the bench and was rewarded with a confident winning performance against First Division visitors Ampthill Town with an upset never looking to be on the cards as they went down 5-1. Borough will entertain Premier Division Dunstable Town in the 2nd Round as they won 2-0 at home to Second Division Pitstone & Ivinghoe in the First Round

**BOROUGH DO ENOUGH TO BAG.....**

*Sep 11, 2010, 8:43 pm*

## .....3 MORE POINTS LIFT BOROUGH TO 9th

Two fine well weighted crosses by Harry Honesty set up Jamie Brandon and Daniel Ailey for a goal in each half which enabled Borough to edge home by the odd goal in three despite an unfortunate own goal equaliser for the visitors just before the interval. But it was not a match that will linger long in anyones memory

**NO MIDWEEK GAME SO .....**

*Sep 9, 2010, 11:38 pm*

## .....BOROUGH DROP TO 11th

Saturdays defeat by Aylesbury United coupled with our being one of only three teams without a mid-week fixture and results elsewhere has pushed us back to 11th. But we have from one to three games in hand on 8 of the 10 Clubs above us.

Chalfont St. Peter seem to have set down the front runners marker with a 100% record after 7 games and also have the best goal difference. Tring Athletic are chasing hard and are also unbeaten but have dropped four points from two draws. At the wrong end of the table it is an unusual sight to see win-less Harefield United propping it up after so many seasons of promotion near-misses but they seem to have suffered from a mass departure of their erstwhile regulars. Neither is it customary to see Broxbourne Borough in a relegation position.

**ANOTHER MID-WEEK WIN PUTS...**

*Sep 1, 2010, 12:40 pm*

## .....BOROUGH UP TO 6th PLACE

Tuesday evening's comprehensive 3-0 win at home to Harefield United - courtesy of 2 first half goals from Daniel Ailey and a late effort from Luke Bryan lifted Borough to 6th place in the table with a game or more in hand of 4 of the 5 Clubs above them.

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#### **NO GAME FOR BOROUGH.....**

*Nov 6, 2010, 10:04 pm*

### **.....*BUT AN INTERESTING WEEKEND JUST THE SAME***

Our season long ground share agreement has come to a premature end as Sporting London e Benfica feel they cannot struggle on any longer and have withdrawn from the League.

Unfortunately, the withdrawal came too late to enable our cancelled away match at St. Margaretsbury to be reversed.

However, one unexpected immediate benefit was to be able to hire the ground to Kentish Town as the playability of their Copthall Stadium was in some doubt and they did us a favour by winning 1-0 against Leverstock Green thus preventing Green from climbing above us.

We fell only one place to 6<sup>th</sup> as Hillingdon Borough won their game to climb above us but we now have at least two games in hand on all the 5 teams above us. Chalfont St. Peter and Tring Athletic continued on their merry way with victories, albeit only by the odd goal in both cases.

#### **NARROW CUP WIN MEANS.....**

*Nov 4, 2010, 1:04 am*

### **.....*BOROUGH WILL VISIT A RYMANS PREMIER LEAGUE CLUB***

Having just edged past fellow League members Cockfosters in the 2nd. Round of the London Senior Cup with a 2-1 win at Coles Park, Borough will visit Ryman Premier Division mid-table team CRAY WANDERERS on Tuesday 21st December. Cray play at the stadium of Blue Square South Club Bromley.

#### **BIG WIN LIFTS.....**

*Oct 30, 2010, 9:18 pm*

### **.....*BOROUGH UP TO 5th***

BOROUGH'S 6-1 win over Hatfield Town coupled with defeats for all the 5 teams immediately above them lifted Borough up to 5th place in the table. They have at least 1 game in hand on the 4 teams above them but with Chalfont St. Peter winning their 15th consecutive League game to maintain their 100% record it would take a



remarkable down turn in their fortunes for Borough or any of the other chasing pack to overhaul them.

#### EARLY GOALS SEE.....

*Oct 26, 2010, 11:41 pm*

## .....BOROUGH INTO QUARTER FINAL OF PREMIER DIVISION CUP

Two powerful drives by Luke Bryan in the first 10 minutes put Borough in a strong position but it became a game of two halves as Broxbourne siezed the initiative after the interval and with better finishing might have pulled the game round but it was not until injury time that former Borough player Bradley Drisdale pulled one back. In the quarter-final Borough will visit Langford who won 5-2 at home to Kentish Town

#### IMPROVED SECOND HALF PERFORMANCE PUTS BOROUGH.....

*Oct 23, 2010, 11:30 pm*

## .....UP ANOTHER PLACE

An odd goal in three victory at Stotfold - in the first ever meeting of the Clubs lifted Borough up to 10th and with between 1 and 4 games in hand on all the Clubs above them.

An early Daniel Ailey goal and a Brian Sealey penalty save were the first half highlights and Jamie Brandon slotted home the winner in the first minute of the second half.

Fuller report on "Fixtures & Results" page

#### FINE PERFORMANCE LIFTS .....

*Oct 16, 2010, 8:51 pm*

## .....BOROUGH UP TO 11th PLACE

Borough played some of their best football of the season as they returned victorious from Oxhey Jets Boundary Stadium for the second time this season. Having won their Vase game last month they had to work harder this time to garner the points with the result in doubt until Boroughs stoppage time 3rd goal cemented the 3-1 win. Borough climbed to 11th in the table and gave between one and four games in hand on all the teams above them.

#### MIDWEEK WIN LIFTS BOROUGH.....

*Oct 13, 2010, 12:20 am*

## .....2 PLACES UP THE TABLE

With only 8 teams in midweek action Borough's comfortable 3-0 win at home to Hadley who were evidently not at their strongest lifted Borough from 15th to 13th in the table and they still have between 1 and 4 games in hand on all other teams except one of those above them and one below.

Borough were not at their strongest either, and suffered from some late call offs, but a powerful header from Daniel Ailey two minutes from the interval and another midway through the second half put Borough in control and a deflected effort from Rakim Richards sealed victory.

Fuller report on "Fixtures & Results" Page

### **BOROUGH STILL IN AN FA COMPETITION AS.....**

*Oct 10, 2010, 10:43 pm*

## .....BOROUGH WOMEN TRIUMPH IN MARATHON MATCH

A game which kicked off 15 minutes late as traffic problems delayed Borough's progress to the Worcester Park venue of Wandgas lasted 3 and a half hours - including a 45 minute injury stoppage as well as several shorter stoppages, extra time and a penalty shoot-out. Borough fought back from being 2 down at the interval to force extra time and came from behind again to end the match at 3-3 before slamming home their first four penalties to win this First Qualifying Round Womens FA Cup tie 4-2 on the shoot out and set up an away game with Mauritius Sports Association in the next round.

Fuller report on "Fixtures & Results" page

### **GOALKEEPING SLIPS BRING.....**

*Jan 16, 2011, 10:37 pm*

## .....THE END OF OUR UNBEATEN 2011 RUN

Our fine unbeaten start to the New Year came to an end at the fourth hurdle at Colney Heath's Recreation Ground. Colney were the better team and deserved their 3-1 win but it was galling that both their goals late in the first half were gift wrapped by uncharacteristic errors from 'keeper Brian Sealey without which we might well have left with a point. It was particularly disappointing for Brian who had made some fine saves earlier and did likewise in the latter stages of the game to keep the score down as we sought to build on our late improvement but which ultimately brought only Daniel Ailey's consolation goal.

Fuller report on "Fixtures & Results" page

## 5-1 QUARTER FINAL WIN BUT.....

Jan 12, 2011, 12:03 am

### .....NOT AS EASY AS THE SCORE SUGGESTS

Borough reached the Semi-Final of the Premier Division Cup (when they will visit the winners of the Leverstock Green v Stotfold tie yet to be played) on Langford's superb Forde Park surface courtesy of a hatful of goals in the last 15 minutes after falling behind to an early own-goal. Until that late surge it had looked to be anyones game and for the first half hour Langford had been the dominant force.

Fuller report on "Fixtures & Results" page

## FIRST TRIP OF YEAR BRINGS BACK A POINT FROM.....

Jan 8, 2011, 11:07 pm

### .....A NO SCORE (BUT NOT A BORE) DRAW

Both teams will be able to find reasons to look upon this as one point gained or two lost. Overall, probably a just result as Borough were thwarted by the woodwork and denied a reasonable penalty claim; but Biggleswade United enjoyed more possession, especially in the second half when Borough posed only an intermittent threat, with Borough's defence needing to be alert at all times and make some crucial interventions to maintain their clean sheet.

Fuller report on "Fixtures and Results " page

## EDGY WIN SEES.....

Jan 3, 2011, 9:36 pm

### .....**NEW YEAR OFF TO A WINNING START**

With the number of fine chances created but wasted Borough should really have enjoyed a more comfortable afternoon against their first visitors of the New Year, St. Margaretsbury. Instead they had to come from behind at the interval with goals from Richard Worrell and Theo Charalambos proving enough to garner the points.

## THREE RED CARDS BRING

Dec 15, 2010, 12:31 am

### .....A SAD END TO THE YEAR AT COLES PARK

Borough's last home game of the year saw them reduced to 10 men during the first half and to 9 midway through the second so the result was not particularly surprising. But Stotfold had looked the better side when it was 11 v 11 and deservedly led by the only goal at half time. Borough's ten then put on a sterling performance at the start of the second half and it seemed their determination and pressure could well lead to an equaliser until the second dismissal. Even with nine men Borough continued to press but exploitable gaps at the back were inevitable and Stotfold eventually worked a man into space to pick his spot. As if the evening had not been miserable enough Borough then picked up a third red card after the final whistle for a less than complimentary remark aimed in the referees direction. So fielding a team in 21 days time will be an interesting exercise!!

If all this suggests a game full of unpleasantness, nothing could be further from the truth as it was played in a fine spirit throughout with never a heinous tackle promulgated by either team.

#### ALL SQUARE AT THE END AS...

Dec 11, 2010, 6:58 pm

### **.....POINTS SHARED IN 6 GOAL THRILLER**

A highly entertaining game saw Haringey race into a two goal lead in the first 10 minutes and then need a 90th minute strike by Richard Worrell (which completed his hat-trick) to rescue a point and make it 3-3 after Hillingdon hit a purple patch early in the second half to score even more in the space of 10 minutes to take a 3-2 lead.

#### WASTED OPPORTUNITIES LEAD TO.....

Nov 20, 2010, 9:38 pm

### **..... LAST GASP RETRIEVAL OF A POINT**

After dominating the first half and wasting numerous promising opportunities resulting in a single goal lead at the interval Borough turned in a sub-standard second half performance and after the resurgent Tigers had taken the lead only an untidy goal by Theo Charalambos deep into stoppage time rescued a point. But it must be regarded as 2 points lost rather than 1 won as Borough should have been home and dry by the interval. In 12 visits to Silver Jubilee Park in the last 20 seasons Borough have yet to win with a goal-less draw back in the Isthmian days of 1984/85 being the only other occasion defeat was avoided. And as for a Borough win that has not happened since 1983/84 in the days of the late lamented Athenian League when Borough won 2-0 at Coles Park. Results elsewhere pushed Borough down to 10th in the table but they still have between one and four games in hand on all those above them.

#### WINNING RUN OVER AS .....

Nov 13, 2010, 11:19 pm

### **..... BOROUGH PAY A TRIPLE PENALTY**

Having taken the lead inside 20 minutes Borough shot themselves in the foot by conceding three penalties in the space of 12 minutes and it would be difficult to dispute the justification of any of them. The first and third were netted directly and the middle one resulted in a follow up goal. The last also saw the inevitable dismissal of Demetri Stratis who kept out a goalbound shot with his hand. Despite playing the second half a man short Borough put in a determined performance and enjoyed the majority of possession but were finally finished off by a superb strike from the man of the match, Hanwell's Charley Baverstock ten minutes from time. Borough have played a lot worse and won and have no reason to feel unduly downhearted as a repeat of the second half performance will see many more points garnered. The defeat dropped them only one place to 7th but so tight is the mid-table that only 5 points separate the 6th and 15th teams.

#### CUP DATE ANNOUNCED FOR OUR.....

*Feb 13, 2011, 11:33 pm*

## .....LONDON SENIOR CUP TIE

The date for our 3rd Round London Senior Cup tie AWAY to Ryman Premier Division Side **CRAY WANDERERS** has finally been announced. Its **THURSDAY 24th FEBRUARY**.

It will be played on the ground of Beckenham Town FC at Eden Park Avenue, Beckenham, BR3 3JL - about 250 yards from EDEN PARK railway station which is served by frequent direct trains from Charing Cross, Cannon Street and London Bridge. 35 minute journey. "See Fixtures & Results" page for further details.

#### SECOND HALF IMPROVEMENT EARNS.....

*Feb 9, 2011, 1:10 am*

## .....THREE MORE MIDWEEK POINTS

A fine performance in a hard fought game at St. Margaretsbury saw Borough's 3-1 win bring their points total to 39 - exactly 1.5 points per game from their 26 outings. The first half was goal-less and after Borough had taken a 2 goal lead St. Margaretsbury netted a superb long distance strike two minutes from time to set up a nervous and lengthy period of stoppage time in which Borough finally clinched victory one minute from its conclusion.

#### BUSY MONTH IN PROSPECT AS.....

*Feb 6, 2011, 11:46 pm*

## .....MARCH FIXTURES PUBLISHED

Borough will be in League action every Saturday and Tuesday throughout March. See "Fixtures & Results" page for details.

There are likely to be a couple of Thursday games too as Borough are still involved in two Cup competitions in which the next rounds will probably be in March when the dates are announced.

## VERY CLOSE MATCH AS.....

*Feb 5, 2011, 11:19 pm*

### ....BOROUGH WIN BY SOLITARY GOAL

Borough edged home against Leverstock Green, who they will be visiting next month for a Premier Division Cup semi-final, thanks to a smart second half finish by David Boal in a game of very few chances.

## UNKNOWN DATES FOR CUP GAMES

*Feb 4, 2011, 7:41 pm*

### BOROUGH STILL IN TWO CUPS

LONDON SENIOR CUP Unfortunately our 3rd round tie away to Cray Wanderers of the Ryman Premier League will not take place on Tuesday February 22nd as scheduled because Cray have been given a fixture which takes priority. No new date has been announced but it will most likely be a midweek in March

LEAGUE PREMIER DIVISION CUP Our opponents in the Premier Division Cup semi-final will be Leverstock Green following their 2-1 win over Stotfold yesterday in which they came from behind to score an extra time winner. This too will be a midweek March fixture, probably on a Thursday. The winners will meet Colney Heath in the Final

## LOSING STREAK ENDED AS.....

*Feb 3, 2011, 12:00 am*

### .....BELOW PAR PERFORMANCE BAGS A POINT

After three creditworthy but losing performances away to top teams a disjointed display at Kentish Town's Copthall Stadium, from whence Borough have never before left with anything, earned a point as Borough came from behind, took the lead before the interval and then surrendered it a few minutes from time

## A HEAVY DEFEAT BUT.....

*Jan 29, 2011, 10:09 pm*

### .....ANOTHER FINE BUT REWARDLESS DISPLAY

An extraordinary result to a splendid game at Hanwell Town's Reynolds Fields Stadium in which Borough played some of their best football of the season and enjoyed the lion's share of possession and pressure. But a series of bumbles in front of their own goal was too much to overcome as Borough found themselves three down inside twenty minutes but fought on regardless without getting any reward until a few minutes from the interval. Although Hanwell were reduced to 10 players after 20 minutes of the second half two further errors enabled them to finish 5-1

winners. The defeat gives Borough a 50/50 League record of 9 wins and defeats plus 5 draws and a goal difference, very much on the positive side not so long ago, now minus one.

#### DEFEAT AT HIGH-FLYING ROYSTON TOWN AFTER....

*Jan 19, 2011, 1:01 am*

### .....A FINE DISPLAY , BUT NO REWARD

Ninety exciting minutes of end to end football with Borough not significantly outclassed by their third in the table hosts - and applying the greater pressure throughout the second half having gone two-nil down shortly after the interval. Unfortunately, both goals were rather cheaply conceded and a fine match really deserved to have been settled by finishes of greater quality. This match completed exactly half of Borough's League fixtures leaving them in 9th place in the table.

#### A COMFORTABLE HOME WIN BUT.....

*Mar 9, 2011, 12:05 am*

### .....BOROUGH A LITTLE FLATTERED BY THE 5-1 SCORELINE

The young Kentish Town side played some fine football but lacked a cutting edge, and were somewhat error prone at the back, but throughout the first half Town had looked the more likely winners even though they had fallen behind in the 2nd minute before equalising in the 43rd. only to fall behind again a few seconds from the interval.

Fuller report on "Fixtures & Results" page

#### DISAPPOINTING FOLLOW UP TO TUESDAYS THRILLER AS.....

*Mar 5, 2011, 9:17 pm*

### .....BOROUGH RETURN WITH NOTHING FROM AN UNDISTINGUISHED GAME

This was a mid-table affair with nothing really at stake for either team and it lived up to that billing. A game of very few chances was won by Hadley striker Jesse Reynolds cleverly directed header early in the second half and although Borough did raise their game somewhat after that the Hadley defence held firm and a fierce drive by Jamie Brandon which crashed back off the foot of a post was the nearest Borough came to an equaliser.

Fuller report on "Fixtures & Results" page

#### CHAMPIONSHIP CHASERS THWARTED BY.....

*Mar 2, 2011, 12:22 am*

## .....ONE OF BOROUGH'S BEST PERFORMANCES OF THE SEASON

Borough returned from Tring Athletics "Grass Roots Stadium" with their hardest earned point of the season from a 1-1 draw. An outstanding display by 'keeper Greg Thurstans and a wholehearted performance by all his outfield colleagues with Richard Worrell netting a fine equaliser did the trick. But in truth, Championship hopefuls Tring must be cursing their wastefulness in front of goal, especially in the opening stages before Borough had got into their stride. Leaders Chalfont St. Peter opened the gap wider but had to come from behind in the 2nd half through a penalty and a last minute goal to win 2-1 at Holmer Green.

Fuller report on "Fixtures & Results" page

**REJOICE, REJOICE, REJOICE GREATLY ASâ€|â€|..**

*Feb 27, 2011, 10:33 pm*

## ..... BOROUGH WOMEN ENJOY THE FRUITS OF VICTORY AT LAST !

Borough Women ended their nightmare 11 match losing and goal-less streak at Woodbridge Town, to give themselves an outside chance of avoiding relegation if they can win four of their last six games. In a match full of commitment from both sides they fell behind after 25 minutes but before half time Lekesha James had drilled home a hard low equaliser so ending 1,027 minutes of erstwhile unsuccessful endeavour. The confidence and belief thus engendered was palpable and James put Borough ahead within seconds of the start of the second half and although "The Woodpeckers" equalised two minutes later Julia Carruthers lobbed Borough to victory mid-way through the half and Borough defended doggedly to preserve the lead.

Fuller report on "Fixtures & Results" page

**CUP DATE ANNOUNCED FOR OUR.....**

*Feb 25, 2011, 6:29 pm*

## ....PREMIER DIVISION CUP SEMI- FINAL

THURSDAY MARCH 10th



Our Premier Division Cup Semi-Final with LEVERSTOCK GREEN will be on Thursday March 10th at their Pancake Lane ground. 7 30pm kick off. Winners will play COLNEY HEATH in the Final

### OUT OF THE LONDON SENIOR CUP....

*Feb 25, 2011, 3:07 pm*

## ..BUT A FINE PERFORMANCE AGAINST RYMAN PREMIER OPPONENTS

The 3-0 scoreline in Cray Wanderers favour will surprise no-one but it does not do justice to a fine Borough performance which made their high-flying hosts battle all the way to preserve their two goal first half lead - which was not increased until a speedy breakaway in the last minute, by which time Borough's interest in defending was not a priority.

Fuller Report on "Fixtures & Results " page

### SOME GOOD FORTUNE AS...

*Feb 23, 2011, 1:43 am*

## .....BOROUGH JUST EGDE TO ANOTHER 3 POINT HAUL

An uneven game on a heavy pitch at Holmer Green saw Borough return with an odd goal in three victory. But it was courtesy of a spectacular "own-goal" from great distance which would probably have earned the scorer the goal of the season award had it not been directed into his own net !

Both teams tried to play some skilful football on a heavy bumpy pitch, which was not the ideal surface for a swift ground passing game, hence long balls were in plentiful supply too.

Fuller report in "Fixtures & Results" section

### NOTHING TO SHOW FOR.....

*Feb 15, 2011, 11:53 pm*

## ..... A FINE PERFORMANCE DESPITE THE 4-2 REVERSE

Borough returned empty handed from Chalfont St. Peter's Mill Meadow ground but had produced one of their best performances of the season which had pushed the Champions elect all the way. In fact Borough led 2-1 after 75 minutes forcing Chalfont to raise their game but it needed an own goal for them to equalise and the clinching 4th was not netted until the closing seconds of stoppage time.

## BOROUGH COME BACK FROM 2 DOWN.....

Mar 29, 2011, 11:22 pm

### .....A POINT WON ? OR TWO LOST ?

For the third successive game Borough started slowly and were sloppy in defence and found themselves two down after 18 minutes against a lively Oxhey Jets side. Pleasure at a recovery which saw them pick up a point was tempered by a feeling that they should have gone on to win based on the chances created especially after the visiting 'keeper was dismissed midway through the second half as he conceded the penalty which Daniel Ailey smashed home to equalise.

## CONVINCING 5-1 WIN PROVES.....

Mar 26, 2011, 8:36 pm

### .....THERE'S NO LOGIC IN FOOTBALL !

Saturday 19 March HERTFORD TOWN 1 HATFIELD TOWN 3  
Tuesday 22 March HARINGEY BOROUGH 1 HERTFORD TOWN 3  
Saturday 26 March **HATFIELD TOWN 1 HARINGEY BOROUGH 5**

Plainly not a result many would have forecast in the light of results in the past seven days. Nor did it look a likely outcome at the interval when Borough had just equalised Hatfield's mid-half opening goal. But Borough showed the skilful approach play of which they are known to be capable right from the start of the second half and from that point on there only looked one likely winner; and so it proved as Borough ran in four goals without reply. The win lifted Borough above Hatfield in the table and they also overtook Dunstable Town following their unexpected defeat by Harefield United to climb into 7th place.

Fuller report on Fixtures & Results page

## DISMAL PERFORMANCE AS.....

Mar 23, 2011, 1:13 am

### .....HERTFORD TOWN END BOROUGH'S UNBEATEN RUN

It was difficult to recognise the Borough team that was outplayed and outfought by the determined visitors, who got their just reward, with the team that had dominated the League leaders only 7 days previously. There were line up changes but not such as to

justify the enormous gulf between the two performances. The expression "Jeckyll & Hyde" comes to mind. Borough were fortunate to be only two down at the interval and quickly conceded a third. Getting into gear after 75 minutes or so was never going to be enough and Richard Worrells powerful 80th minute consolation header following a fine run and cross by Miguel Martins was the only highlight from Borough's point of view.

#### **BOROUGH UP TO 8th WITH...**

*Mar 19, 2011, 10:35 pm*

## **.....ANOTHER 1-0 WIN**

A third clean sheet is cause for celebration but this solitary goal win bore no resemblance to the exciting victory by the same score the previous Tuesday. It was fitting that a defender earned the spoils for there had been little to suggest that the strikers of either side would break the stalemate until right back Rakim Richards arrived unchallenged on the six yard line, having stayed forward when a free kick had been cleared, and sent a thumping header into the roof of the net as Jamie Brandon returned the ball into the danger area.

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#### **BOROUGH CLAIM SCALP OF LEAGUE LEADERS**

*Mar 15, 2011, 11:57 pm*

## **SUPERB ALL ROUND PERFORMANCE EARNS ITS REWARD**

Anyone not in the know could have been forgiven for thinking that Borough were the League leaders as they tore into Chalfont St. Peter right from the start and should have been ahead at the interval by more than the 38th minute lead secured when Daniel Ailey just got a faint touch to a wickedly flighted free kick from Theo Charalambos. After the interval it was the turn of the Borough defence to show its mettle and they did so more than adequately with the nearest to an equaliser coming when Demetri Stratis just managed to slice the ball upwards onto his own crossbar from a yard or so out as an attacker closed in.

#### **HARD EARNED POINT AT PRESTON PARK**

*Mar 13, 2011, 9:28 pm*

## **.....NO GOALS - BUT NO "BORE-DRAW" EITHER**

Borough brought back a point from their tussle with Harefield United in a game full of excitement and countless missed opportunities which could easily have ended 5 a piece instead of 0-0. Both sides are entitled to feel they missed the chance to bag all three points while recognising they could just as easily have ended with none; any other result would have been rather unjust. The game was marred by a gashed head sustained

by Borough 'keeper Jamaine Edwards after only 10 minutes and his departure by ambulance to Hillingdon Hospital. With no substitute 'keeper on the bench it was Nick Nicou who donned the gloves and played a confident part in maintaining a clean sheet.

Fuller report on "Fixtures and Results page"

UPDATE ON JAMAINE Treatment received in A & E and several stitches needed but released without being an in-patient

### DISAPPOINTING CUP EXIT SO.....

*Mar 11, 2011, 12:24 am*

## .....SEASON NOW RATHER "FLAT"

Although taking a deserved lead in first half stoppage time at Leverstock Green, the home side stepped up the pressure after the interval and netted twice to book their right to meet Colney Heath in the Final of the Premier Division Cup

This puts Borough in the unusual position of being already safe with their 46 points despite still having 13 games to play with nothing more than pride in performance now to play for.

### ALL FIXTURES NOW KNOWN

*Mar 9, 2011, 2:28 pm*

## REMAINING SPARTAN SOUTH MIDLANDS LEAGUE FIXTURES ANNOUNCED

Borough's final 7 fixture dates have now been scheduled.

See "Fixtures & Results" page for details.

### AN ENTERTAINING DIVERSION FROM LEAGUE ACTION AS.....

*Apr 27, 2011, 11:23 pm*

## .....**BIGGEST CROWD OF THE SEASON WITNESS A FINE FRIENDLY**

Borough hosted a match with the Great Britain Deaf Team to assist their need to raise funds for their participation in European competition and what was the largest attendance

of the season by some distance witnessed an enjoyable encounter played throughout in a fine spirit. Borough's top scorer Daniel Ailey played the first half for Borough and then pulled on the visitors shirt at half time without finding the net for either team. GB Deaf took the lead with a fine goal midway through the first half and doubled it with a penalty soon after. Borough responded midway through the second period with a hard low drive from the edge of the area by Richard Worrell but despite enjoying the majority of possession could not find an equaliser.

### DANIEL SHOOTS DOWN THE DUCKS..

*Apr 23, 2011, 7:01 pm*

## .....AS WE SEE THE REAL BOROUGH AGAIN

Just as it was beginning to look as if the Chalfont St. Peter result might have been a flash in the pan after some uninspiring performances Borough proved the contrary with a splendid second half performance to which Aylesbury United who started the game 16 points above Borough were unable to respond after Daniel Ailey had lashed home a superb shot in the 72nd minute to break the deadlock; Borough then assumed control and added two further well worked goals as Daniel doubled the lead and Theo Charalambos added a fine third deep into stoppage time.

Fuller report on "Fixtures & Results" page

### JUST NOT GOOD ENOUGH.....

*Apr 16, 2011, 8:45 pm*

## YET ANOTHER DISMAL HOME PERFORMANCE AS BROXBOURNE WIN THE BATTLE OF THE BOROUGH

It scarcely seems credible that seven home matches ago we sent Chalfont St. Peter away from Coles Park well beaten and at a time when they were far from having clinched the Championship. Since then the following six home games seem to have produced an ever worsening sequence of performances.

Broxbourne well deserved their odd goal in five victory to give them revenge for the two Borough wins as Goffs Lane earlier in the season as their greater desire was obvious right from the start and they created by far the higher number of chances with some attractive attacking play

As for Borough we remain 8th in the table with 61 points and that is all we will have at the end of the season unless there is rekindling of pride in performance and a huge improvement in the last two matches; and with a pack of 6 Clubs snapping at our heels we could yet drop as low as 15th

### INTERESTING LATE ADDITION TO SCHEDULE.....

*Apr 13, 2011, 1:14 am*

## PRESTIGE END OF SEASON FRIENDLY ARRANGED

On Wednesday April 27<sup>th</sup> BOROUGH will be playing the GREAT BRITAIN DEAF TEAM at Borough's Coles Park Ground. 7 45pm kick off.

Our leading scorer, Daniel Ailey is, of course, an established member of the Great Britain Team.

Our normal admission of £5 (usual concessions £2) inclusive of programme will be the minimum charge but as it is hoped to raise significant funds for the Great Britain Team any "voluntary overpayments / donations" to boost the coffers would be greatly appreciated.

### **History of GB Deaf**

GB Deaf have been Deaflympic Champions 6 times since the first Silent Games in 1924. GB Deaf beat Iran 2-1 at the 20<sup>th</sup> Deaflympics in Melbourne, Australia, 2005 to achieve a Gold medal. They scooped a Silver medal at the 6<sup>th</sup> European Football Championships in Lisbon, Portugal, 2007, losing 2-1 to France in the final. Both international competitions have been fantastic successes. We aimed to defend our title in the 21<sup>st</sup> Deaflympics which were held in Taipei, Taiwan in September of 2009. Following one defeat in the group stages to the USA, we failed to go beyond the group stages, and went on to win our remaining games to eventually gain 9<sup>th</sup> place, the highest possible we could get. This disappointment has spurred on the GB team to aim to win the gold medal in the 2011 European Deaf Football Championships, being held in June, in Odense, Denmark.

GB Deaf has now selected 22 players to participate in the Europeans. The players hail from Wales, England and Scotland. Most players are profoundly deaf and use British Sign Language as their main form of communication.

### **The problem?**

GB Deaf is self-funded, with no support from the Government or the FA. At the 20<sup>th</sup> Deaflympics, UK Deaf Sports were able to support all deaf athletes by contributing 50% to the individual £3,000 cost to participate. Unfortunately, the same cannot be said for the 21<sup>st</sup> Deaflympics, with the Government redirecting funding from UK Deaf Sports to the London 2012 Olympics. This meant that every athlete and official picked had to fundraise to cover the costs of participating in the Deaflympics held in Taiwan in 2009. Fundraising efforts now begin for the team to participate in the forthcoming 2011 European Deaf Football Championships, after having beat Israel both home and away to qualify for the Championships.

**AT LAST, BOROUGH SCORE FIRST BUT**

*Apr 12, 2011, 11:44 pm*

.....LEAD TWICE SURRENDERED AS MATCH  
DRAWN

After 6 matches in which the opposition had scored first, Borough led by the only goal of the first half as Damiel Ailey headed home a free kick but were out-fought and outplayed by visitors Kingsbury London Tigers after the interval. After "The Tigers" had drawn level. Rakim Richards headed Borough ahead again from a corner but it was no surprise that the visitors soon equalised and certainly deserved the point, if not more, they left with.

#### REPEAT OF CUP RESULT AT LANGFORD AS....

*Apr 9, 2011, 7:43 pm*

### .....BOROUGH STAY 8th

For the 6th successive game Borough fell behind but hit back strongly to win 5-1 - the third time this season their comebacks have resulted in such a score. It was a repeat score of the earlier Premier Division Cup game at Forde Park as Borough again fell behind midway through the half before equalising a few minutes before the interval and then dominating the second half.

#### MORE DISAPPOINTMENT AS.....

*Apr 5, 2011, 11:27 pm*

### .....BOROUGH FALL TO LATE WINNER

Borough seemed to have done enough to secure a point having come back to equalise through Liam Farrell - after falling behind for the fifth match in succession. But a momentary loss of concentration at the back led to a free kick being cheaply conceded in a dangerous position seven minutes from time and it ended up in the net for Dunstable Towns winner

#### LITTLE CAUSE TO CHEER AS A .....

*Apr 2, 2011, 6:45 pm*

### .....BELOW PAR PERFORMANCE DROPS BOROUGH DOWN A PLACE TO 8th

The habit of not beginning to play before falling into arrears seems to have become ingrained in the Borough psyche - this being the fourth consecutive match in the sequence. If getting away with it in the last 2 games has engendered the belief that a late step on the gas will always be sufficient Holmer Green effectively put paid to that idea as they absorbed Borough's final 15 minutes of urgency and quite comfortably held on to the lead secured by Andy Shed's close range goal just after the interval. Ninety minutes of the quality of the last fifteen would probably have done the trick for Borough but "The Greens" deserved their victory for showing the greater desire right from the off.

*Jul 28, 2011, 10:48 am*

# COVENTRY SCAFFOLDING LONDON SENIOR CUP DRAW ANNOUNCED

BOROUGH have drawn a bye in the First Round (there is only one match) and also in the Second Round. In the Third Round Borough entertain (provisionally on 11th October) the winners of the Second Round Tie between fellow Spartan Leaguers COCKFOSTERS or HOLMESDALE of the Kent League. Success would be followed by a visit to BARKING of the Essex Senior League in the 4th Round. The draw for the Fifth Round onwards has not yet been made. At that stage the 6 survivors from the first four rounds are joined by 10 teams from the Blue Square Conference, Ryman Premier League and AFC Wimbledon from the Football League.

*Jul 8, 2011, 11:57 am*

## FA COMPETITION DRAWS ANNOUNCED

**FA CUP** In the Extra Preliminary Round on 20<sup>th</sup> August Borough will be at home to AFC Kempston Rovers of the United Counties League Premier Division - last seasons Division One Champions)

Success would bring a Preliminary Round tie with fellow Spartan South Midlands Leaguers Crawley Green (of Division One) or Premier Division Berkhamsted (last Seasons Division One Champions) on 3<sup>rd</sup> September

Further success would create a visit to Evostick Southern League Premier Division St. Albans City in the 1<sup>st</sup> Qualifying Round on 17<sup>th</sup> September

**FA VASE** In the 1<sup>st</sup> Qualifying Round on 10<sup>th</sup> September Borough have received a bye

The 2<sup>nd</sup> Qualifying Round on 24<sup>th</sup> September will see us entertain fellow Spartan Leaguers – either St. Margaretsbury of the Premier Division or Langford (relegated to Division One last season)

Success would create a 1st Round Proper tie at home against either AFC Kempston Rovers (again !!) or fellow Spartan Leaguers Hadley on 22nd October.

FULL DRAWS FOR BOTH COMPETITIONS ON FA WEBSITE

*Jun 19, 2011, 5:08 pm*



## Ex-BOROUGH MANAGER STARTS 2014 WORLD CUP

The first qualifying match of the 2014 World Cup has just been played. MONTSERAT v BELIZE

The Montserrat team is Managed by KENNY DYER who was part of Borough's Management from November 2004 to the end of that season.

Unfortunately Montserrat lost 5-2 but there may yet be hope as it is a 2 legged tie and FIFA have since suspended Belize for alleged Government interference in that Country's football affairs. Link to FIFA report below:-

<http://www.fifa.com/...3094/index.html>

*Jun 13, 2011, 12:11 pm*

### "RED CARDS" – MAJOR CHANGES TO SUSPENSION RULES

As from season 2011/12 The FA have done away with "time based" suspensions as regards Adult Football, both Mens and Womens, at all levels of the game. Thus the lottery of how much football the offender will actually miss after taking into account bad weather and the vagaries of Fixture Lists has disappeared.

More importantly from our point of view, they have also introduced a total "divorce" between Saturday (type), Sunday and Midweek football. In short, a player suspended for being sent off while playing for his Sunday team can carry on playing for his Saturday team while his Sunday team is completing the appropriate number of games – and vice-versa, of course. But the suspension will rule the player out of ALL football played in the relevant category (i.e a player registered for a Spartan team and a Rymans team could not play for either of them once the suspension had started until the team he was playing for when sent off had completed the stipulated number of games). And this limited restriction ONLY applies when the sending off is for one of the standard seven offences – see below. A player sent off for "Misconduct" not covered by the standard list will be suspended from ALL football during any suspension imposed until the team he was playing for has completed the stipulated number of qualifying games

In practical terms no appeal is possible in respect of dismissal for the standard offences unless it is for Wrongful Dismissal – and then only if the

player/Club can immediately lodge video evidence to support its case. The suspension starts automatically after 21 days and continues until the actual TEAM of the Club (not the Club generally) for which he was playing at the time has completed the appropriate number of qualifying games.

A qualifying game is basically a Competitive match (definitely ruling out "friendlies") although there are some minor Competitive Competitions which also do not count.

Appeals for a number of reasons are still possible for Misconduct dismissals

In Youth Football suspensions are still time based which unfortunately means that a 16 or 17 year old registered for an adult football team would be suspended from ALL football even though it was in a Youth game he was dismissed.

This is just a broad outline of the new procedures and the full details can be viewed from the "Disciplinary" section of the FA's website. The FA's Handbook runs to 65 pages.

Standard Charges and the suspensions they attract are :-

### **Standard Charge Suspensions**

Serious Foul Play	<b>3 Matches</b>
Violent Conduct	<b>3 Matches</b>
Spitting at an Opponent	<b>6 Matches</b>
Use of offensive, or insulting or abusive language directed at a Match Official	<b>2 Matches</b>
Denying an obvious goal scoring opportunity by deliberately handling the ball	<b>1 Match</b>
Denies an obvious goal-scoring opportunity by an offence punishable by a free kick or penalty kick	<b>1 Match</b>
Receiving a second caution in a match	<b>1 Match</b>

*Jun 5, 2011, 4:25 pm*

## **PRE-SEASON FRIENDLY PROGRAMME ALMOST COMPLETE**

Five matches, all at Coles Park, with four of them against Ryman League opposition have been arranged. A sixth is in the pipeline.

Details can be found on the "Fixtures & Results" page.

*May 24, 2011, 1:10 pm*

# SPARTAN SOUTH MIDLANDS CONSTITUTION FOR 2011/12 ANNOUNCED

No surprises in the Premier Division Constitution for 2011/12. No relegation from Step 4 so Chalfont St. Peters promotion reduces the number of teams to the preferred figure of 22 without further adjustment. From Division One the top two - BERKHAMSTED and AFC DUNSTABLE are promoted to replace relegated Kentish Town and Langford. The constitution is subject to final ratification at the League AGM on 18th June **(It was duly ratified)**

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## LEAGUE STATISTICS SHOW....

*May 15, 2011, 10:13 pm*

### .....DANIEL AILEY IS 4th TOP SCORER IN THE LEAGUE

Daniel's 26 goals in League/League Trophy/Divisional Cup make him the 4th highest scorer in the League this season. Having played in only 39 out of a possible 50 games he might well have finished even higher up had those 11 not been missed. He averaged 2/3rds of a goal per game. Top Scorer was Blaise O'Brien of Hanwell Town with 34, followed by Charlie Strutton of Chalfont St. Peter with 32 and Ryan Redford of Tring Athletic with 27.

Richard Worrell's 17 goals put him into the League Chart in 17th place.

Daniel also made 5 appearances in FA and County FA games scoring three goals and bringing his total for the season to 29 in 44 games - again almost 2/3rd of a goal a game (0.659 to be exact)

## LATE COME-BACK BRINGS ABOUT A.....

*Apr 30, 2011, 9:21 pm*

### .....SUPERB END TO THE SEASON

This was no end of season "going through the motions" game as Royston Town arrived in second place but only by virtue of a one goal superior difference over second placed Tring Athletic. Royston are the League's top scorers and left no doubt as to why straight from the off as they tore into Borough with the ball rarely leaving the Borough half in the first ten minutes. But some great saves by 'keeper Greg Thurstans and determined Borough defending kept them at bay and the game was goal-less at the interval. Royston continued their domination after the break and having gone close several times finally took

a 63<sup>rd</sup> minute lead from the penalty spot as the ball was handled in a prolonged goalmouth melee. But Borough then decided to show why they have a good record against the teams above them and Daniel Ailey put them to the sword, firstly with a fine header which hit the post but was eventually smashed home after Marvin Walker set up Dave Boal in the 76<sup>th</sup> minute. Ailey then scored the winner three minutes later as with sheer strength and determination he held off a challenging defender to run through and lift the ball over the advancing keeper from the edge of the area. That goal condemned Royston to 3<sup>rd</sup> place as Tring Athletic came from behind to draw at Colney Heath. Borough had been hoping to go 7<sup>th</sup> but Dunstable got the win they needed over Holmer Green to maintain their 3 point advantage. But 8<sup>th</sup> is Borough's best finishing position in the Premier Division and the close season can be enjoyed in anticipation of another fine, perhaps even better, coming season.

## .....AND THE WOMEN ADD FURTHER GLOSS TO A GREAT DAY

While the excitement was developing at Coles Park the Women, who have had a dreadful injury ravaged season, were in action in Harrow and belatedly got some well deserved reward as they won the North London and Hertfordshire play off to book the Club's place in the FA FUTSAL CUP NATIONAL FINALS to be played at the Futsal Arena in Birmingham in mid-July

*Sep 13, 2011, 11:30 pm*

## (13/9/11) THREE MORE POINTS THANKS TO THREE GOAL WORRELL

Visiting St. Margaretsbury twice fought back to draw level after falling behind but after their 80th minute equaliser RICHARD WORRELL completed his hat-trick with a clinical finish three minutes later to seal victory

*Sep 10, 2011, 7:29 pm*

## (10/9/11) FINE GAME WITH "THE JETS" ENDS ALL SQUARE

BOROUGH TWICE CAME FROM BEHIND TO DRAW 2-2 AT OXHEY JETS FINE BOUNDARY STADIUM WITH DARRELL COX BEING THE SAVIOUR ON BOTH OCCASIONS; AND BUT FOR A SUPERB DISPLAY BY OXHEY KEEPER MARK JESSOP BOROUGH COULD WELL HAVE BROUGHT BACK ALL 3 POINTS

*Sep 6, 2011, 11:21 pm*

## (6/9/11) BOROUGH SECURE NERVOUS WIN AGAINST HADLEY

Although far from at their best Borough edged home against visiting Hadley by the odd goal in five after falling behind to an early goal. The win lifts them to 9<sup>th</sup> in the table making them one of 3 Clubs to have dropped only 3 points tucked in behind Leverstock Green and Royston Town who have 100% records. Dunstable Town have dropped only 2 points but have played only 3 games which is less than any other Club. Borough have played 4.

*Sep 4, 2011, 11:59 pm*

## ***OFF - TARGET BOROUGH MAKE DISAPPOINTING FA CUP EXIT***

3/9/11 Borough were eliminated from the Cup in a game of few gilt-edged chances. Tony Burnett of Berkhamsted netted a fine strike in the 27<sup>th</sup> minute to send his team to St. Albans City in the First Qualifying Round. Borough enjoyed plenty of possession but had left their shooting boots at home.

*Sep 1, 2011, 8:52 pm*

## ***RARE VICTORY AT REYNOLDS FIELD***

Borough's recent record against Hanwell Town has been dismal in the extreme with 4 defeats in the previous two seasons and 22 goals conceded with only 3 scored. So there appeared to be no justification for undue optimism and a bookmaker would doubtless have offered very high odds on a 3-0 scoreline in our favour. But such it was on Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> August and deservedly so after a determined Borough performance. Rakim Richards' unstoppable volley after 9 minutes set Borough on the way and Mario Georgiou slotted home clinically just before the interval. Richard Worrell sealed the win ten minutes from time squeezing in a powerful drive from a very narrow angle after a superb penalty save from Nick Christofi had denied Hanwell midway through the second half as they battled to get themselves back in the game.

*Aug 27, 2011, 8:50 pm*

## ***NARROW SQUEAK AS BOROUGH EDGE THROUGH FIRST ROUND OF LEAGUE CHALLENGE TROPHY***

Borough were only 4 minutes away from an embarrassing exit at the hands of a team two Divisions below them having been behind for most of the match following home side Mursley United's 18th minute opener. Borough's second half domination looked as if it would bring no reward, and was not helped by a dismissal for dissent ten minutes from time, until debut making substitute Anthony Christian swept home a low cross from Darrell Cox. Although reduced to 10 players Borough totally controlled the extra period and after Cox had secured the lead Christian completed his hat trick to make the game safe before Collard's 35 yard rocket shot for Mursley in the closing seconds of extra time was the goal of the match. (fuller report on "Fixtures & Reults" page)

In the next Round Borough will travel again to meet the winners of the outstanding tie between Harefield United and Kings Langley

*Aug 21, 2011, 12:15 am*

## FIRST HURDLE OVERCOME - ONLY 12 MORE TRIALS ON THE ROAD TO WEMBLEY !

Despite losing both rostered goalkeepers through injury leading to central defender and Captain NICK NICOU taking over between the sticks for the last half hour Borough made fairly comfortable progress through the Extra Preliminary Round of the FA Cup with Budweiser. Nick dealt confidently with everything which came his way although lacklustre finishing by the visitors who created a number of half chances without seriously testing him helped. Borough's finishing was nothing to write home about either and the game should have been made safe early in the second half when a number of fine opportunities were created but wasted. It seemed Borough might come to regret their failure to do so when 'keeper Isaac Capello-Rukundo was forced off - and he was himself the replacement for Nick Christofi who never made it through the warm up. At the time Borough were leading courtesy of a goal slotted home by Darrell Cox just before the interval as he ran onto Jamie Brandon's through ball and rounded the 'keeper. But the defence did its job well enough and mid-fielder Rakim Richards showed how to slot the ball home unfussily when he raced forward to join a late attack and made the game safe. Borough will play fellow Spartan South Midlands Premier Division Club Berkhamsted in the Preliminary Round on September 3rd after their 2-1 win at Crawley Green

*Aug 17, 2011, 1:46 am*

**OFF THE MARK STRAIGHT AWAY**

After the disappointment of last Saturdays cancellation, Borough got their Competitive campaign under way with a hard fought win. Luke Bryan drove home the solitary goal of the match 11 minutes into the second half. A fine team effort with everyone playing their part with determination earned its just reward and the defence took confidence from a fine display from new 'keeper Ryohei Tamai. There were only three new faces in the squad of 16 one being Darrell Cox whose well weighted through ball set up Bryan's scoring opportunity. Ian Steele was the other new face and came on as a substitute ten minutes from time. Fuller report on Fixtures & Results page.

*Oct 15, 2011, 9:01 pm*

## **A 4-0 WIN - BUT NOT AS EASY AS IT SOUNDS**

The battle of the Borough's was a cagey affair in the first half with few clear cut chances. Roland Namquita scored a fine opener in the 38<sup>th</sup> minute but the match was marred by a broken leg injury sustained mid-way through the first half to Broxbourne's Jake Parratt. It was not until the last fifteen minutes that Haringey got right on top to finish comfortable winners

*Oct 13, 2011, 10:18 pm*

## **(13/10/11) LONDON SENIOR CUP DRAW OFFERS CHANCE OF A VISIT BY RYMAN PREMIER CLUB**

The 5<sup>th</sup> Round draw has paired Borough with Ryman Premier Club HENDON – match would be played at Coles Park. But first we have to negotiate a tricky tie away to Barking of the Essex Senior League on 25th October.

*Oct 11, 2011, 11:14 pm*

## **(11 Oct 2011) SAFELY THROUGH THE FIRST LONDON SENIOR CUP HURDLE**

Borough progressed through the third round of the London Senior Cup at the expense of visitors Holmesdale FC from the Kent League. With a 2 goal lead at half time thanks to fine finishes by Richard Worrell and Roland Namquita a comfortable second half might have been expected but Holmesdale stepped up the pressure and deservedly reduced the arrears. With a sharper edge to their finishing they might well have equalised but

as the game wore on Borough made better use of the space left at the back by Holmesdale's need to press forward although it was not until the 87th minute that Worrell finally eased Borough's nerves with a low drive to make the final score 3-1. Borough will visit Barking in the next round on a date yet to be agreed

Oct 9, 2011, 9:56 pm

(8/10/11)

## **ANOTHER "TWO POINTS LOST" DRAW !**

It may seem extraordinary to bemoan getting only a draw at the ground of a the team which had come from behind to win at Championship favourites Royston Town by 4-2 in their previous match but such was Borough's domination of the second half that feelings of disappointment are well justified. Full Report on "Fixtures & Results" page.

Oct 4, 2011, 11:43 pm

## 4/10/11) **3-0, 3 POINTS, 3 GOALS IN 3 CONSECUTIVE MATCHES**

.....but not such a convincing win over visiting London Tigers as the score suggests. Although netting twice, through Richard Worrell and Darrell Cox, wasteful Borough finishing in the first half allied to some indecisive defending meant that some superb close range saves by 'keeper Nick Christofi were equally as vital in establishing the lead. It was not until left back Demetri Stratis (naturally wearing shirt number 3) produced a clinical finish after the interval that Borough could afford to feel reasonably comfortable. With the top two unexpectedly dropping points Borough would now be only 2 points behind the leaders if they win all their games in hand.

Oct 1, 2011, 6:15 pm

## (1/10/11) **A POINT WON OR TWO LOST ?**

A team which nets a stoppage time equaliser from the penalty spot might be expected to be satisfied with their afternoons work but at Hadley today it was difficult not to feel frustrated as with the last kick of the game Borough screwed a difficult chance fractionally wide of the far post. But the main cause for dis-satisfaction was the apparent belief of the team that some new rule has been passed making it compulsory to gift the opponents an early two goal lead. For the second successive match Borough gave themselves a mountain to climb and while they succeeded at Colney Heath in midweek another inept defensive failure late in the second half, after they had drawn level and looked the more likely winners, led to the nervy sem-successful finale. Borough are currently among the teams who are statistically entitled to feel they are in with a chance of promotion but this performance against a team in the bottom half of the table was not the stuff of which Championships are made



Sep 27, 2011, 11:38 pm

(27/9/11) **ANOTHER 3-2 WIN LIFTS BOROUGH TO FIFTH**

Borough's last 3 League wins have all been by 3-2; the previous two were games in which the performance had been just about good enough but the game at Colney Heath was quite different as Borough were forced to dig deep and come back from a 2 goal deficit giving what was probably their best display of the season in a game where both sides gave 100% commitment from start to finish. Borough rose to 5th in the table with one or more games in hand on the four teams above them and of those only two have dropped less points than Borough. The last 100% record, that of Leverstock Green, was ended at Harefield United but having played more games than any other team they still lead the table with 30 points. Borough would be 2 points behind them if they won their 4 games in hand.

Sep 24, 2011, 7:02 pm

(24/9/2011) **EDGY ODD GOAL WIN PUTS BOROUGH INTO FA CARLSBERG VASE 1st ROUND PROPER**

For the second time in ten days St. Margaretsbury visited Coles Park and left defeated by the odd goal. On this occasion it was 2-1 in the 2nd Qualifying Round of the FA Carlsberg Vase. A goal early in each half firstly from Richard Worrell and after the interval by Darrell Cox was sufficient although "The Bury" pulled one back back to set up a nervy last 25 minutes. Hadley will be Borough's opponents in the 1st Round proper match to be played at Coles Park on Saturday 22nd October

In between Borough visited Royston Town in the First Round of the Premier Division Cup and after looking the better team in the first half and being level at the interval produced a lacklustre second half performance and went out by 4-1

Oct 30, 2011, 6:08 pm

**WOMEN THROUGH TO THIRD ROUND OF LEAGUE CUP**

A 3-0 win against Hoddesdon Owls at Hertford Town's ground put Borough into the draw for the Third Round of the League Cup. Borough will be one of the 5 teams to come through the early rounds to join the Premier Division sides in the last 16.

Oct 29, 2011, 9:08 pm

## THREE POINTS THROWN AWAY – TWO PLACES DOWN

Many fine chances made in the first half should have put Borough in a commanding position at the interval but all were wasted and this, allied with an elementary lack of concentration after conceding a free kick, sent Borough in a goal down against visiting AFC Dunstable. A fine free kick by Christopher Benjamin equalised but another avoidable mistake when an attempted 40 yard back pass conceded a corner from which the visitors scored a late winner left Borough empty handed and in 8<sup>th</sup> place in the table as both the visitors and Dunstable Town overtook Borough.

*Oct 25, 2011, 10:51 pm*

## UNBEATEN RUN ENDED

Borough's nine match undefeated run came to an unmemorable end at Barking where the home sides solitary goal after 32 minutes sent Borough out of the London Senior Cup. Borough failed to spark into life until the last 30 minutes which they then dominated but poor finishing wasted all the promising approach play.

*Oct 24, 2011, 12:47 pm*

## FA VASE DRAW - SECOND ROUND PROPER

Yet another draw against fellow Spartan Leaguers - and its against TRING ATHLETIC who eliminated us from last years Competition. But this time we are going to their Grass Roots Stadium on 19th November.

*Oct 23, 2011, 8:07 pm*

## WOMENS GOAL SPREE FINISHES A FINE WEEKEND

The score when Borough visited East Thurrock United was a convincing 6-2 victory but it conceals a massive contribution by stand-in `keeper Onyinye Nkemdirim who pulled off a series of close range blocks at a crucial time in the game. Eleftheria Taladianoy spearheaded Borough's attack with a display of strength and skill which brought her a hat trick while Sarah Cleary, Michelle Thomas and Jade Bowley also found the net as Borough extended their winning run to three consecutive matches.

*Oct 22, 2011, 8:56 pm*

## **SAFELY THROUGH TO ROUND 2 OF THE VASE**

A match which will be remembered mainly for Richard Worrell's stunning 43<sup>rd</sup> minute volley to open the scoring followed by a clinical second from Roland Namquita a minute later. The 2-0 win over Hadley puts Borough into the draw for the Second Round of the FA Carlsberg Vase on Monday

*Oct 18, 2011, 10:53 pm*

## **ANOTHER 4-0 WIN**

It is doubtful if Borough have ever enjoyed back to back 4-0 wins in the space of four days but once the opening sparring was over Borough seized control of their League Trophy match at Harefield United and after Mario Georgiou had put them ahead they never looked likely to be in danger of elimination and further goals from Richard Worrell, Christopher Benjamin and Roland Namquita secured a comfortable win. A trip to Berkhamsted in the Third Round is their reward.

*Oct 16, 2011, 8:31 pm*

## **WOMENS GREAT COMEBACK BRINGS ARSENAL TO WHITE HART LANE**

In a stormy game which was their hardest match of the season Borough Women overcame adversity to win 3-1 away to Hampstead Women in the First Round of the London Womens Senior Cup. Despite falling behind just after the interval and losing Erika Vareckova to an injury necessitating the summoning of paramedics and finishing with 9 players having lost the services later in the game of two players, who each picked up two yellow cards, Borough scored three times for a hard earned victory. Arsenal probably think they have played in White Hart Lane umpteen times but actually have not really done so, but their Reserves will do so as they will be coming to Coles Park in January in the 2nd Round.

*Nov 16, 2011, 12:42 am*

## **FOUR GOAL WIN LIFTS BOROUGH TO 4<sup>th</sup> PLACE**

Borough played some fine football, as is their midweek custom, and were three up by the interval. Oxhey Jets made strenuous efforts to get themselves back

into the game in the second half without being able to muster anything to put Borough keeper Ryohei Tamai to a serious test. Although "The Jets" had by far the greater share of possession it was Borough who looked more threatening and recorded the only goal of the half. All four goals resulted from corners with Darrell Cox (2) and Dewayne Clarke netting with headers after Richard Worrell had smashed home the first goal from close range to finish off a scramble.

*Nov 13, 2011, 6:05 pm*

## **WOMEN WIN AWAY TO LEAGUE LEADERS**

Borough Women brought back all three points from their visit to erstwhile unbeaten League leaders Hutton in a match when both teams enjoyed spells of ascendancy and some fine football was played. Borough started strongly and Eleftheria Taladianoy put them ahead but Hutton equalised with a fine cross shot with their first real effort on goal. Hutton were in the driving seat at the start of the second half but two long distance strikes by Nicolle Houston and Carrie-Anne Layton made the scoreline 3-1. Unfortunately bad feeling crept into the closing stages of the game and after a mass confrontation five minutes from time a red card reduced Borough to ten but the lead never looked in much danger in the last few minutes.

*Nov 12, 2011, 10:01 pm*

## **POOR START BUT ALLS WELL THAT ENDS WELL**

Borough's first half performance at Holmer Green was poor and slack defending saw them fall behind after two minutes. But for the second Saturday running a second half improvement netted three goals and the points for a 3-2 which lifts Borough to 7<sup>th</sup> in the table. Front-runners Royston Town have dropped 6 points against Borough's 15 but Dunstable Town having dropped 11 are the only team with a better chance to threaten Royston's supremacy

*Nov 8, 2011, 11:58 pm*

## **THROUGH TO THE QUARTER FINAL OF THE LEAGUE TROPHY**

It was third time lucky for Borough in their tussles with Berkhamsted as a convincing 6-2 win put them into the quarter final of the League Challenge Trophy after their previous

matches had resulted in a defeat and a draw. Borough made light of the absence of leading scorer Richard Worrell as Christopher Benjamin siezed his opportunity to step up to the plate and notched a hat-trick. Borough will visit Biggleswade United and a win would give them a home semi-final against Chesham United Reserves or Leverstock Green or Risborough Rangers

*Nov 6, 2011, 7:22 pm*

## **WOMEN BAG POINTS WITH SECOND HALF GOALS**

Like the mens team the day before the Women saved their best until the second half in which they too scored three goals at Coles Park to take the points against visiting Royston Town. Eleftheria Taladianoy (2) and Michelle Thomas found the net. The defence had given nothing away and with Sarah Cleary in commanding form at its heart kept a clean sheet to win 3-0 for the second week running.

*Nov 5, 2011, 10:04 pm*

## **BACK TO WINNING WAYS - BUT NOT UNTIL STOPPAGE TIME**

Stotfold we deserved leaders at half time following a poor showing by Borough. A quick equaliser after the interval restored parity and Borough probably made the greater number of second half chances to just about justify the two stoppage time goals which gave them a 3-1 win and put an end to their disappointing run of three defeats by a one goal margin.

*Nov 2, 2011, 12:58 am*

## **SUPERB GAME - BUT NO REWARD**

Certainly our best performance of the season in our the hardest game yet against a team well equipped to challenge for promotion. We led for most of the match and deserved at least a point; but we were undone in the last ten minutes as we were bombarded with set pieces and gifted Dunstable Town a soft equaliser from one corner before another was headed home two minutes from time to turn the match 3-2 in Town's favour

*Oct 31, 2011, 1:30 pm*

## **MATCH CANCELLATION**

The London Senior Cup Match of our ground-sharers HARINGEY & WALTHAM DEVELOPMENT FC due to take place at Coles Park on Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> November has been postponed.

This is due to the tragic death of one of the Haringey & Waltham young players – 18 year old THEO MENSAH – in a car crash last week.

All at Haringey Borough FC send their sincere condolences to Theo's family, friends and team-mates as, we are sure, do all members of the Non-League Football community.

Revised date for the match is Tuesday 8th November.

*Dec 11, 2011, 10:54 pm*

## **SOLITARY GOAL FROM THE SPOT PUTS** **WOMEN BACK TO WINNING WAYS**

Although dominating the match with visiting Hannakins from start to finish only Carrie-Anne Layton's 80<sup>th</sup> minute penalty separated the teams at the finish with the three points keeping Borough's promotion hopes very much on track

*Dec 10, 2011, 9:41 pm*

## **BACK TO WINNING WAYS AS** **HISTORY** **REPEATS ITSELF**

Three weeks ago Borough won a somewhat stormy FA Vase game 3-2 at Tring Athletic's Grass Roots Stadium and after last week's disappointing defeat at the hands of Royston Town in the next round of that Competition it is difficult to see how the fixture list could have thrown up a harder test than a quick return visit in the League. Although the quality and intensity of the previous match was not replicated by either side Borough probably had to work harder to bring back the points – again by a 3-2 scoreline - than in most if not all the season's previous games. Borough led 2-0 and 3-1 with Tring's second reply not arriving until deep into stoppage time.

*Dec 9, 2011, 7:11 pm*

## **BOROUGH WIN NOVEMBER TEAM OF** **THE MONTH AWARD**

Borough have won, almost certainly for the first time, the NOVEMBER PREMIER DIVISION TEAM OF THE MONTH award.

Well merited as after the rather unlucky 3-2 defeat at Dunstable Town on the first day of the month we went on to win all the other 6 games played

The award will be presented by the League President, Brian Smith, and a representative of the League Sponsors, Molten Sports, at a future Home match

*Dec 3, 2011, 9:59 pm*

## **WEMBLEY DREAM EXTINGUISHED**

Royston Town put paid to Borough's Vase hopes in the Third Round with an odd goal in three win. Borough did not play badly but needed to reproduce the outstanding quality which took them past Tring Athletic in the previous round but fell a long way short of that standard. "The Crows" created far fewer chances but made better use of them, even though Nick Christofi saved a penalty, than did Borough from their far greater number of opportunities. For that shut out much credit must also go to Royston 'keeper Will Norris who repelled everything which came his way until beaten by Richard Worrell's late penalty by which time Borough were two down and handicapped in launching their all or nothing late onslaught having been reduced to ten men by a red card (2 yellows) shown to Demetri Stratis

*Nov 26, 2011, 7:31 pm*

## **LACKLUSTRE PERFORMANCE BUT 3 VALUABLE POINTS NONETHELESS**

Borough returned from Biggleswade United 2-1 winners despite enjoying less possession but having made better use of their far fewer scoring opportunities. Charles Douse smashed them into an early lead with Borough's first real goal attempt when a corner was only half cleared and quickly turned back in by Nick Nicou. Two superb saves by Ryohei Tamai and a number of very near misses preserved the lead until half time but Biggleswade resumed with greater urgency and deserved their equaliser although there was a suspicion of a foul on the 'keeper in the build up. In one of Borough's few threatening attempts of the half Darrell Cox moved smoothly onto a long diagonal ball from the left and drove the ball high into the net from just inside the area. Failure to put away half-chances and some desperate last minute blocking and crowding out by a hard pressed Borough defence denied Biggleswade what would really have been a merited equaliser.

*Nov 21, 2011, 12:09 pm*

## **3rd ROUND VASE DRAW - HOME TO ROYSTON TOWN**

For the 4th consecutive round Borough have been drawn against a fellow Spartan South Midlands League Team. Match will be played on Saturday 3rd December at Coles Park. Full 3rd round draw now on the FA Website which can be accessed via our LINKS page

Nov 21, 2011, 1:32 am

## **BOROUGH WOMEN COMPLETE THE DOUBLE OVER LEAGUE LEADERS HUTTON**

Borough won more easily than the 2-0 score suggests and were in control of the game throughout. Many chances were missed but one in each half from Julia Carruthers and Eleftheria Taladianoy were sufficient to secure the points. The win puts Borough in a fine position to challenge for promotion in what will clearly be a close fought Division

Nov 19, 2011, 10:03 pm

## **THROUGH TO ROUND 3 OF THE VASE – JUST**

Having built up a three goal lead by the interval after dominating the first half at Tring Athletic it was predictable that Borough would readily co-operate in turning it into a game of two halves ! Roland Namquita, Richard Worrell and Nick Nicou had done the damage. But within ten minutes of the restart it was 3-2 as a clumsily conceded penalty stoked the fires of the home sides self belief. It was tension all the way after that with Borough just hanging on after being reduced to 10 men by a straight red and Tring also finished a man short although their dismissal came right at the end of normal time. Borough are now in the last 64 with the 3<sup>rd</sup> Round Draw taking place on Monday 21<sup>st</sup> November

Jan 8, 2012, 10:03 pm

## **WOMEN BOOST PROMOTION HOPES**

Borough's eighth consecutive League win at home to second placed Sawbridgeworth Town lifted them above their visitors and into third place – only one point behind new runners up Hutton but with four games in hand on them. Borough are seven points behind leaders Colchester Town who they yet have to play twice but have two games in hand on them. Sarah Cleary scored twice in Borough's convincing 3-1 win with birthday girl Eleftheria Taladianoy also on target.

Jan 7, 2012, 11:16 pm

## **DUNSTABLE TOWN DELIVER REALITY CHECK**

Mathematically, Borough's quest for the League Championship is far from over but visiting Dunstable Town took full advantage of defensive frailties to run up a three goal lead and complete the double for the season before Richard Worrell drove home a stoppage time consolation which at least maintained Borough's record of scoring in all 22 League games



this season and was no less than was deserved for keeping going to the bitter end having twice hit a post in the space of five minutes late in the first half. It is telling that although Borough have lost only 5 League games all have effectively been "6 pointers" against other teams in the top 5. Borough remain fourth but even winning all the games in hand on the teams above them would not lift them any higher and they are 14 points behind leaders Royston Town with only one game in hand.

Jan 3, 2012, 12:05 am

## **ANOTHER FOUR GOAL HAUL**

The first game of the New Year was remarkably similar to the last of the old as a late flurry of goals again saw Borough finish with four against a team struggling at the foot of the table. But this time they were forced to come from behind by visiting Hanwell Town who struck first in the ninth minute. It was a day on which there was no change to the status quo at the top of the Division as all 6 teams won and Borough was the only team to even concede a goal.

Dec 31, 2011, 2:20 pm

## **2011 IN RETROSPECT**

For the **MEN'S** team it has most certainly been our best ever year whilst in the Spartan South Midlands League

62 Competitive games were played (32 this season 29 last)

33 were won (21 this season 12 Last); 10 drawn (4 this season 6 last); 19 lost (8 this season 11 last)

We scored 131 goals 80 this season) and conceded 93 (49 this season)

We kept 15 clean sheets (9 this season, 6 last)

We failed to score on 9 occasions (2 this season – both Cup games – 7 last)

We have scored a goal or more in every one of this seasons 21 League games

6 goals is our highest individual score – at Berkhamsted in this seasons League Challenge Trophy

5 goals is the most we have conceded – at Hanwell Town last season

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For the **WOMEN** the first half of the year is best forgotten as we struggled to compete in the Premier Division with a team lacking the necessary experience and were relegated but after a dismal start to this season the side has gone from strength to strength and eight consecutive League games have been won making promotion a realistic target.

26 Competitive games were played (15 this season, 11 last)

11 were won (10 this season 1 last); 1 was drawn (this season); 14 were lost (4 this season 10 last)

We scored 43 goals (39 this season 4 last) and conceded 55 (20 this season 35 last)

We kept 5 clean sheets – all this season

We failed to score on 11 occasions (2 this season 9 last)

6 goals is our highest individual score – at East Thurrock United in the League this season

6 goals is the most we conceded – to Arlesey Town at home in the League last season

*Dec 28, 2011, 2:16 am*

## **FOUR GOAL ROMP ENABLES BOROUGH TO FINISH THE YEAR IN 4<sup>TH</sup> PLACE**

The 4-0 scoreline against visiting Hatfield Town suggests an easy win but until the last third of the game, when Borough finally cut loose having broken the deadlock through Dwayne Clarke in the 65<sup>th</sup> minute, a goal-less draw looked to be quite a possibility. But Borough then assumed complete control and added further strikes by Richard Worrell, Roland Namquita and Stephen Obeng to secure the three points which keeps them very much in the promotion hunt should favourites Royston Town suffer an unexpected blip. "The Crows" moved back to the summit with a 4-0 win at Berkhamsted but erstwhile leaders Dunstable Town slipped up at home to Colney Heath losing by the odd goal in three. Fourth placed Leverstock Green also lost – by 3-2 at Aylesbury United enabling Borough to overtake them but third placed AFC Dunstable cemented their position as dark horses with a 2-0 win at Biggleswade United.

*Dec 21, 2011, 2:10 pm*

## **BOROUGH WIN POWERLEAGUE DOCKLANDS TOURNAMENT**

Borough Women beat Leyton 4-2 in the final of this 5 a side Tournament - winning the prize of £100 in the process - on Tuesday evening.

The successful squad was Roxanne Eshun, Lorraine Gabbidon, Nicolle Houston, Lekesha James, Carrie-Anne Layton, Valene Simon, Eleftheria Taladianoy

*Dec 21, 2011, 12:18 am*

## **BOROUGH COMPREHENSIVELY BEATEN**

Having run their high-flying visitors Royston Town so close in the FA Vase tie seventeen days ago expectations of another tight game were realistic for this League encounter. But after Borough took the lead midway through the first half "The Crows" moved into top gear and dominated proceedings thereafter. Although Borough absorbed the pressure until the interval they were run ragged in the second half by a team superior in all aspects of the game and the visitors notched four goals to leave as convincing and deserving winners.

Borough now lie 5th in the table having lost only 4 League games but unfortunately the defeats have been one to each of the Clubs above them.

*Dec 17, 2011, 10:17 pm*

## **LEADERS FALTER BUT BOROUGH FAIL TO TAKE FULL ADVANTAGE**

BOROUGH'S seven match League game winning streak was finally ended by a lively Harefield United side with Borough forced to come from behind twice and equalise in stoppage time with a Darrell Cox header which made it 2-2. It was a disappointing day to drop two points as leaders Royston Town were beaten 2-1 at Stotfold and were deposed by Dunstable Town who won 2-1 at Hillingdon Borough. The dropped points push Borough down to 5<sup>th</sup> but they have one or more games in hand on all four teams above them and only Dunstable Town and Royston Town have dropped less points than Borough

*Jan 29, 2012, 10:36 pm*

## **UNINSPIRING PERFORMANCE - BUT ENOUGH TO SECURE TENTH CONSECUTIVE LEAGUE WIN**

Borough women turned in a performance well below those of recent weeks but did enough in the first half to secure a 4-1 lead against visiting Hoddesdon Owls who are at the foot of the table. Julia Carruthers and Eleftheria Taladianoy scored two each but after the interval a determined Hoddesdon side tightened up at the back and Borough never got going again. Hoddesdon deservedly pulled one back midway through the half. This 10<sup>th</sup> consecutive League win puts Borough 4 points behind leaders Colchester Town with 2 games in hand

*Jan 28, 2012, 9:42 pm*

## **BOROUGH JUST EDGE GOAL-FEST**

Borough returned from Leverstock Green's excellent Pancake Lane set-up as odd goal in seven winners in a game which was entertaining and played in a fine spirit from start to finish. Neither defence looked overly secure and right from the off it was clearly not likely to be a goal-less draw game as both teams regularly committed men forward as a matter of course. Scoring (home team first) went 1-0 1-1 1-2 2-2 (half time) 2-3 2-4 3-4. There were but few minutes between the fourth Borough goal and Green's third so there was never a period when the outcome looked settled. It was a no change at the top day with all the top four winning but Borough moved a little clearer of fifth placed Tring Athletic who managed only a draw.

*Jan 22, 2012, 9:00 pm*

## **BOROUGH RUN RIOT AGAINST "THE CROWS"**

Borough Women went some way to avenging the Men's teams three disappointments inflicted by Royston Town this season as they went up to Garden Walk and returned with the points and a nine goal haul. The 9-1 win, their ninth consecutive League victory, lifted them to second in the table and an astonishing result which saw the leaders Colchester Town lose at home to the bottom Club Leverstock Green leaves Borough with 3 games in hand on the leaders and only 7 points behind. Colchester and Borough have yet to meet this season. The afternoons goals were shared by only three Borough players - Julia Carruthers (4), Eleftheria Taladianoy (3) and Michelle Thomas (2)

*Jan 21, 2012, 8:30 pm*

## **STOPPAGE TIME DISAPPOINTMENT FOR BOROUGH**

Frustration might well be defined as being caught out by a long ball out of defence with too many players upfield, despite having only a one goal lead, while attacking a team with only ten players deep into stoppage time with the ultimate outcome being a penalty conceded in a desperate attempt to stop League top scorer Ian Cooper adding to his tally. He did so anyway from the spot. But in truth a point was probably as much as Borough deserved for they had rarely troubled Colney Heath 'keeper Tom Blackman in a game made difficult by a strong swirling wind and a bumpy pitch.

*Jan 16, 2012, 1:15 am*

# WILL IT BE GOOD-BYE TO THE SPARTAN SOUTH MIDLANDS LEAGUE FOR BOROUGH ?

The FA finally unveiled their (well leaked) proposals for re-organisation of Step 5 of the Pyramid – the main purpose said to be to reduce the number of Leagues from 14 to 12 to co-incide with the number of relegation/promotion places between Steps 4 and 5.

The Spartan South Midlands League would basically become the London North West League losing only 2 Clubs – Holmer Green and US. They would gain Newport Pagnell Town, AFC Kempston Rovers, Enfield 1893 and Wembley.

Borough would be placed in the London North East League which is effectively the Essex Senior League (except for Enfield 1893) plus us and 7 Clubs from the Eastern Counties League (including 3 from over the Suffolk border !). Thus there would be 25 Clubs namely:

17	from	Essex	Senior	League
Barking				
Barkingside				
Basildon				United
Bethnal		Green		United
Bowers		&		Pitsea
Burnham				Ramblers
Clapton				
Eton				Manor
Haringey	&		Waltham	Development
Hullbridge				Sports
London				APSA
Sawbridgeworth				Town
Southend				Manor
Sporting		Bengal		United
Stansted				
Takeley				
Witham				Town
7	from	Eastern	Counties	League
Brantham				Athletic
FC				Clacton
Felxtowe	&		Walton	United
Hadleigh				United
Stanway				Rovers
Wivenhoe				Town
Woodbridge Town				

+ US

The re-organisation would start in Season 2013/14 before which there will be two sets of promotions and relegations to cause some changes to the initial proposals which are at the discussion stage and may not even get the go-ahead.

Doubtless the good burghers of Woodbridge and Felixtowe will be astonished to learn that after centuries of believing themselves to be of sturdy East Anglian stock they are actually Londoners !!

Jan 16, 2012, 12:56 am

## ARSENAL'S VISIT COMES TO UNTIMELY END

When Arsenal Reserves visited Coles Park for their London Senior Womens Cup quarter final, a fine game was, sadly, ended after some 80 or minutes or so following some unsavoury incidents which led the referee to conclude it would be unwise to continue. Although forced mainly onto the defensive Borough had made some threatening breaks of their own and were by no means ready to accept the inevitable when losing only by 2-0 to a goal in each half. The London FA Cup Committee will consider whether the match should be re-played

ON 10th FEBRUARY THE LONDON FA ADVISED THAT BOTH CLUBS HAD BEEN REMOVED FROM THE COMPETITION

Jan 15, 2012, 12:30 am

## FIRST HALF SHOWING ENOUGH TO SECURE THE POINTS

A Borough side with many enforced changes from the side which had performed so well at Biggleswade United last Tuesday did enough in the first half to secure a 2-0 lead with Chris Benjamin scoring both goals. Fine chances to make the game safe were missed and it was only a lack of a cutting edge to finish their determined approach play which left Hertford empty handed after a second half which they had dominated after stepping up the pressure right from the whistle. Borough's re-vamped defence sometimes struggled to keep them at bay but, assisted by a post and a fine save from 'keeper Ryohei Tamai which avoided a nervous last fifteen minutes, they maintained the clean sheet.

Jan 10, 2012, 11:44 pm

## FENTON FIRES BOROUGH INTO SEMI-FINAL

Dean Fenton, not previously an occupant of the strikers position, bagged 5 goals as Borough swept past Biggleswade United on their superb Second Meadow playing surface by a 6-1 margin in their League Challenge Trophy quarter final. Richard Worrell was the other Borough marksman and even the Biggleswade consolation came from a player just released by Borough, Emmanuel Jonjo. In the semi-final Borough will entertain Leverstock Green. The other semi final will be between Tring Athletic and Hillingdon Borough

Mar 7, 2012, 1:14 am

## **MUCH CHANGED TEAM BRINGS BACK THE SPOILS**

A much altered Borough team, including five players in the starting line up who did not feature last Saturday and a substitute making his Club debut, never looked the weaker for the changes and ran out 3-1 winners at Harefield United thanks to three fine goals - an unstoppable 20 yard angled blast by Dewayne Clarke to open the scoring after half an hour; a craftily flighted 25 yard direct free kick by Christopher Morgan to restore the lead after "The Hares" 70th minute equaliser; and a powerful near post header by Junior Diatomba as he connected with a Morgan corner to seal victory.

Mar 5, 2012, 8:18 pm

## **COLES PARK FLOODLIGHT UPDATE**

REPAIR SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETED ON FRIDAY 2nd MARCH

Mar 3, 2012, 9:32 pm

## **ENTERTAINING GAME FINISHES ALL SQUARE**

Borough had to come from behind late in each half to secure a 2-2 draw with visiting Aylesbury United. Both "The Ducks" goals were the result of corners. Dean Fenton equalised the first seconds before the interval and Darrell Cox was the second half scorer five minutes from time.

Feb 28, 2012, 11:33 pm

## **SECOND HALF COMEBACK PUTS BOROUGH IN THE FINAL**

Borough reached the Final of the League Challenge Trophy and although having been drawn at home conceded ground advantage to Leverstock Green on account of the defective floodlights at Coles Park (repairs hopefully will be complete by the beginning of March). After a poor first half performance at Pancake Lane, Borough stepped up a gear after the interval at which point they were unsurprisingly a goal down. But their increasing pressure in the second half eventually bore fruit with two quick goals in the 74th and 82nd minutes - after which both sides rattled their opponents crossbar in a nervy finish. The Final will be on a neutral ground against either Hillingdon Borough or Tring Athletic

It would be remiss of us not to make mention of the superb friendly and helpful ambience created by our "hosts" and their graciousness in defeat. Our regular encounters with "The Greens" are one of the reasons we are more than somewhat miffed at being singled out for transfer away from the Spartan South Midlands League under the FAs proposed Step 5 re-organisation; and as matters stand next seasons meetings may well be the last.

*Feb 27, 2012, 1:38 pm*

## **URGENT NOTICE - VENUE SWITCH**

### **MATCH ON 28th FEBRUARY**

Because of unresolved floodlight problems at Coles Park the postponed LEAGUE TROPHY SEMI-FINAL between Haringey Borough and Leverstock Green will now take place at Leverstock Green's ground at Pancake Lane, Leverstock Green, near Hemel Hempstead, HP2 4NQ on Tuesday 28th February. Kick off at 7.30pm

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*Feb 25, 2012, 6:56 pm*

## **ANOTHER SIX GOAL HAUL**

For the second week running Borough netted six goals against relegation threatened opponents – this time at Hatfield Town's Gosling Park Stadium. Two up inside ten minutes, Borough cruised to a four goal lead by the interval and kept a clean sheet in the second half while adding two further goals.

*Feb 18, 2012, 10:12 pm*

## **SUCCESSFUL RETURN TO ACTION**

A sparkling first half performance at Coles Park which saw Borough end with a 5-0 lead over visiting Holmer Green inevitably rendered the second half little more than a "going through the motions" exercise at the end of which the final score was 6-1 with Holmer's consolation arriving deep into injury time



Feb 7, 2012, 10:24 am

## **TROPHY SEMI FINAL RE-SCHEDULED**

### HARINGEY BOROUGH v LEVERSTOCK GREEN

This League Trophy semi-final originally scheduled for Tuesday 14th February has now been rescheduled for

**TUESDAY 21st FEBRUARY at Coles Park**  
**(7.45pm)**

Mar 25, 2012, 6:36 pm

## **WOMEN BOOST PLAY-OFF HOPES**

Borough's 3-1 win at Chelmsford City all but ended their opponents play-off hopes and it is now a straight contest tween Borough and Sawbridgeworth Town for the runners up spot. Three goals up at the interval, Borough endured some nervy moments in an even second half after City pulled one back early on.

Two wins and a draw from the remaining 3 games will see Borough finish second.

Mar 24, 2012, 8:10 pm

## **THIRD v FOURTH ENDS ALL SQUARE**

Borough made the necessary improvement in the sub standard midweek performance which had led to defeat at home to Hertford Town and a fine game ensued in which anything other than a point a piece would have been an injustice. AFC Dunstable took the lead just before the interval with a fine finish to the best move of the half; Borough stepped up a gear and had the better of the second half and Diantomba Junior glanced home an equalising header some 15 minutes from the end.

Mar 17, 2012, 9:58 pm

## FIFTH SIX GOAL HAUL OF THE SEASON

Borough eased to a 5 goal lead at Coles Park against Hillingdon Borough before their opponents replied with two. The Clubs will meet for the third time this season in the Final of the League Challenge Trophy. But Borough must guard against complacency as it was only a few weeks ago that Hillingdon lost by a four goal margin to the team they then went on to defeat 1-0 in last week's semi-final, Tring Athletic. Dean Fenton led the scoring spree with 4, Darrell Cox and Christopher Morgan, who added the sixth in the last minute of normal time, contributed one each. This was the fifth time Borough have scored six in a game this season but they still remain in 4<sup>th</sup> place, 14 points behind the leaders and with only 9 games to play hope of the Championship is obviously unrealistic. But a target to give interest to the run-in could be 100 League goals for which 10 are now needed from the remaining 9 games. It would be no mean feat for those matches include games against AFC Dunstable, Aylesbury United, Tring Athletic and finish at Royston Town on 28<sup>th</sup> April. Such has been Borough's free-scoring approach to Cup games that well over 100 goals are already in the bag when knock out competition results are included – increasing the tally by 36 to 126 in all.

Mar 14, 2012, 12:39 am

## BACK TO WINNING WAYS AT "THE BURY"

Matches between the Borough and St. Margaretsbury are never occasions which faint-hearts would find to their liking and Tuesday evenings clash at The Recreation Ground lived up to expectations in that respect. Borough edged home 2-1 in a game of 9 bookings (Borough "won" that contest 5-4) in a thriller where no quarter was asked or given and no prisoners taken. Darrell Cox netted twice in the first 15 minutes and St. Margaretsbury replied in the 34<sup>th</sup>. The second half traffic was mostly in the direction of the Borough goal which somehow survived an almost non-stop barrage of long balls into the heart of the defence in the five minutes stoppage time added. The teams have met 6 times in League and Cup competitions over the last two seasons with Borough having a 100% record.

Mar 14, 2012, 12:28 am

## LEAGUE TROPHY FINAL OPPONENTS NOW KNOWN

.....and it is to be **HILLINGDON BOROUGH** following their 1-0 semi-final win over Tring Athletic on March 13<sup>th</sup>. Venue as yet unannounced

Mar 14, 2012, 12:26 am

## **BOROUGH WIN TEAM OF THE MONTH AWARD FOR SECOND TIME**

Borough's 100% record from their 3 February games - a month in which the number of matches for all teams was limited by the bad weather - secured them the the PREMIER DIVISION TEAM OF THE MONTH award to add to their earlier November success.

League President Brian Smith will probably make the award at the home game on Saturday 17th March

*Mar 10, 2012, 9:43 pm*

## **STOPPAGE TIME ENDING FOR BOROUGH'S NINE MATCH UNBEATEN RUN**

After a passable first half performance at Stotfold which saw Borough a goal up through Dean Fenton at the interval a disappointing second half resulted in a fortuitous equaliser for the home side followed by a Borough performance lacking in much commitment culminating in a 95<sup>th</sup> minute winner for the hosts resulting from some lazy defending compounded by a 'keepers error. The second half encapsulated why Borough are in 4<sup>th</sup> place and not fighting it out for the Championship with the top three - all of whom made short work of opposition from the lower half of the table today. If minds are focused on the Cup Final already there will be many more defeats in the remaining eleven League games if greater determination and pride in performance is not shown - starting at resurgent St. Margaretsbury next Tuesday, who slaughtered Hadley - a team adjacent to Stotfold in the table - by 6-2 today.

*Mar 9, 2012, 8:55 pm*

## **BOROUGH WIN FEBRUARY TEAM OF THE MONTH AWARD**

Borough have won the PREMIER DIVISION TEAM OF THE MONTH award for FEBRUARY.

Only 3 months after their similar honour in November.

The award will most likely be presented by the League President, Brian Smith, and a representative of the League Sponsors, Molten Sports, at the home game on 17th March

In a month where many games were lost to the weather Borough had a 100% record in the three that survived with a goal difference of 14 - 2

*Apr 8, 2012, 11:03 pm*

# WOMENS TOP SPOT CHANCE GONE BUT PROMOTION HOPES STILL ALIVE

Visiting Divisional leaders Colchester Town who needed only a draw to be certain of the Championship left with all 3 points although in truth even a defeat would probably have been only a temporary postponement as a win against the next to bottom Club in their final game would have clinched it on goal difference at least. Borough were forced to field a much changed side but gave a good account of themselves and forced their visitors to come from behind to record their 3-2 win. For Borough the focus has for some time really been on securing the runners up spot and a chance to earn promotion in a play off with the 10th placed Premier Division team - probably Braintree Town. To achieve this Borough must now win their final game next Sunday when Baldock Town visit Coles Park.

*Apr 7, 2012, 9:16 pm*

## BOROUGH CLOSE IN ON 4th PLACE

What might otherwise have been just another end of season game was given some added interest as it was effectively the 4th/5th place decider. A midfield master class by Borough's Dewayne Clarke will probably be the abiding memory. Borough started 5 points ahead of their hosts Aylesbury United and edged home by the games solitary goal late in the second half to increase the margin to 8 and with three games each to play "The Ducks" would have to win all theirs and Borough lose all theirs to reverse the order. Probably not a realistic scenario as both teams have to play Champions elect Royston Town who increased their lead to 5 points over Dunstable Town who were somewhat surprisingly held to a 0-0 draw at Hadley. Assuming both "Towns" win their next games the Championship could be decided on 21st April when "The Crows" visit Aylesbury United but if their 5 point lead should be cut to 3 or less then our visit to Garden Walk on the last day of the season could then become the decider

Aylesbury United film all their home games and anyone who would like to buy a DVD of the match can do so via the following

link:- [http://www.ducksshop.co.uk/Match\\_DVD/p947523\\_4970915.aspx](http://www.ducksshop.co.uk/Match_DVD/p947523_4970915.aspx)

*Apr 3, 2012, 11:43 pm*

## TUESDAYS GAME RESTORES 5 POINT MARGIN

A much improved performance at Kingsbury, against the London Tigers, restored Borough's 5 point margin over Aylesbury United who lost 3-0 at Harefield United. Roland Namquita's 75th minute effort was the sole successful strike. Both Borough and Aylesbury have 4 games left which in both cases includes matches against League

leaders Royston Town. The teams meet at Leighton Buzzard on Saturday and if Borough can extend the lead to 8 points that would be a huge step towards securing 4th place.

*Apr 1, 2012, 7:55 pm*

## **LEAGUE CHALLENGE TROPHY FINAL DATE & VENUE ANNOUNCED**

Borough will play their Final against HILLINGDON BOROUGH on the evening of

TUESDAY 24<sup>th</sup> APRIL 2012. (7.45pm)

It will be on Hanwell Town's ground at Reynolds Fields, Perivale, Greenford, UB6 8TL

(Central Line Underground to Perivale then 10 minute walk to ground or bus 297 passes ground)

ADMISSION £4 Concessions £2

*Apr 1, 2012, 7:45 pm*

## **WOMEN ONE WIN AWAY** **FROM THE PLAY-OFFS**

Borough edged a step closer to promotion with an edgy 4-3 win at bottom Club Hoddesdon Owls. After running up a 4 goal lead in half an hour (Julia Carruthers 3 + Eleftheria Taladianoy 1) they lost their way badly and only a penalty pushed on to the bar by 'keeper Lekesha James prevented the loss of two points.

One win from their remaining two games (or 2 draws) will see them in the play-off position but because of teams withdrawing from the Premier Division promotion might even be automatic.

*Mar 31, 2012, 10:41 pm*

## **SUB STANDARD BOROUGH FIRE BLANKS**

This match was the first in which Borough have failed to find the net this season in a League Match at the 37<sup>th</sup> time of asking. Visiting Biggleswade United arrived in desperate need of points to assist their relegation fight, although why that is so is a bit of a mystery for their quality seems well in advance of the three teams below them, all of whom have been sent to double defeats by Borough relatively easily, and as their vastly superior goal difference also confirms. They collected their points and deservedly so after 90 minutes

of determined effort and unselfish team work by virtue of Glen Lamacraft's early drive. Borough, by contrast, appeared to have little interest in raising their game to hold on to their 4<sup>th</sup> place position while 5<sup>th</sup> placed Aylesbury United (who Borough visit next week) are clearly out to grab it as they chalked up a 4-0 win at Hillingdon Borough thereby closing both their points and goal difference inferiority to two. Unfortunately the match was marred by a serious early injury to Biggleswade right back John Gitting who collided with his own 'keeper as they both went for a cross. An ambulance was needed and he will certainly be hospitalised for at least one night - a broken rib is understood to be the injury

Mar 28, 2012, 10:27 pm

## **PLEASE SPONSOR KARLA.....**

Our Womens Team Captain KARLA PARKER will be participating in the "Reading Half Marathon" on 1 April to raise money for The Foundation for the Study of Infant Deaths - in memory of her brother Neil. Please help if you can!

It's easy to donate online with a debit or credit card - just go to this JustGiving page:

<http://www.justgiving.com/Karla-Parker>

JustGiving sends your donation straight to The Foundation for the Study of Infant Deaths and automatically reclaims Gift Aid if you are a UK taxpayer, so your donation is worth even more.

Mar 28, 2012, 12:02 am

## **ENTERTAINING SEVEN GOAL GAME**

With neither side having a desperate need of the points an open and entertaining game ensued at Coles Park with five goals in the first 25 minutes. By then Borough were 3-2 up having come from behind at 0-1 and 1-2. The goals dried up somewhat after that but there was no diminution in the attacking intentions of either team. The second half saw only two goals with Borough making it 4-2 early on and Berkhamsted pulling it back to 4-3 seven minutes from time to set up a nervy finale and going close to a stoppage time equaliser which would have given them the point their determined approach really deserved.

May 10, 2012, 12:09 pm

## **FA ABANDON STEP 5 RE-STRUCTURING**

### **BOROUGH NOT GOING EAST**

The FA have concluded that their proposed restructuring of Step 5 Leagues (basically reducing them from 14 to 12) is impractical and unworkable.

So at the end of next season Borough will not be dragged eastwards kicking and screaming after all !

The main objective was the creation of a situation where there would be an equal number of relegation spots (ie 14) from Step 4 and Champion Clubs of Step 5 Leagues for promotion. This has been achieved as the Isthmian (Rymans) League will be increasing the number of Clubs in their two Division Ones from 22 to 24 in 2013/14 and relegating 3 teams each year. The two Evostik (Southern and Northern Premier) Leagues will not be increasing their Division one sizes or relegating more than 2 Clubs each year.

Also of interest is that the 3<sup>rd</sup> placed Club in any Division 5 League would be eligible for promotion – ground facilities etc. permitting – if both the Champions and Runners-up were ineligible for any reason.

See "LATEST +" "Spartan Team" option on left for full text of FA Statement

*May 8, 2012, 9:56 pm*

## **BOROUGH WOMEN OFF TO ABU DHABI**

Borough Women are delighted to have been invited to be one of six teams to participate in a 5 a side Womens Tournament in Abu Dhabi from 26<sup>th</sup> to 31<sup>st</sup> May. Borough will be competing in 40 minute games on a "round robin" basis against two sides from the United Arab Emirates and one each from Jordan, Hungary and Uzbekistan.

The Tournament is being organised by the Abu Dhabi Sports Council and the United Arab Emirates FA Womens Committee. The teams will be accommodated at the Armed Forces Officers Club and Hotel in Abu Dhabi and all matches will be played on a pitch within its grounds.

Borough have been invited as winners of the "Unity Cup" Womens 5 a side Tournaments in London in both 2010 and 2011. The "Unity Cup" is an annual event started in 2007 as a commemoration of the 7/7 London bombings and brings together London's communities, social and corporate organisations and UK Government Departments. The core aim is to encourage the crossing of ethnic and religious barriers and to unite against terrorism, extremism and Islamophobia by bringing together young people of all religious, ethnic and social backgrounds through football to create a better world through the global appeal of the game.

*Apr 29, 2012, 2:55 pm*

## **STATISTICAL RETROSPECT 2011/12**

Almost certainly, this has been Borough's best ever season. Between them the Mens and Womens teams have played 96 games (Men 64, Women 32) and won 58 of them. The MEN have finished in their highest ever position (5th) in the Premier Division of the Spartan South Midlands League and won the most prestigious of the Leagues internal competitions, the League Challenge Trophy. The WOMEN recovered from a disastrous start to grab runners up spot in Division One South of the Eastern Region Womens League and thus regained the Premier Division status they lost last season at the first attempt.

### MENS TEAM

	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	Pts
SPARTAN SOUTH MIDLANDS LEAGUE GAMES	42	24	7	11	103	45	+58	79
KNOCK OUT COMPETITIONS	15	11	0	4	37	18	+19	
COMPETITIVE RECORD	57	35	7	15	140	63	+77	
<i>FRIENDLIES</i>	7	3	2	2	13	14	-1	
<i>OVERALL TOTAL</i>	64	38	9	17	153	77	+76	

### WOMENS TEAM

	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	Pts
EASTERN REGION WOMENS LEAGUE	20	14	2	4	61	33	+28	44
KNOCK OUT COMPETITIONS	6	3	0	3	11	8	+3	
COMPETITIVE RECORD	26	17	2	7	72	41	+31	
<i>FRIENDLIES</i>	6	3	0	3	8	13	-5	
<i>OVERALL TOTAL</i>	32	20	2	10	80	54	+26	

### COMBINED RECORD

	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	Pts
LEAGUE GAMES	62	38	9	15	164	78	+86	123
KNOCK OUT COMPETITIONS	21	14	0	7	48	26	+22	
COMPETITIVE RECORD	83	52	9	22	212	104	+108	
<i>FRIENDLIES</i>	13	6	2	5	21	27	-6	
<i>OVERALL TOTAL</i>	96	58	11	27	233	131	+102	



## **ALL OVER - SEASON ENDS WITH DEFEAT BY CHAMPIONS**

Although already confirmed as Champions Royston Town were obviously keen to put on a sparkling performance for the massive crowd of 503 as they bid farewell to the Spartan South Midlands League and duly did so. Borough were four down after 50 minutes and it could have been much worse but for an outstanding display by 'keeper Ryohei Tamai. A great improvement by Borough in the later stages brought goals by Christopher Morgan and, in stoppage time, by Dean Fenton. But "The Crows" showed themselves to be worthy Champions and we wish them well in their higher Evo-stik Southern or Ryman campaign next season.

*Apr 24, 2012, 11:09 pm*

## **LEAGUE CHALLENGE TROPHY WON**

Borough won the League Challenge Trophy for the first time with a hard fought single goal victory over Hillingdon Borough at Hanwell Town's Reynolds Fields Stadium. Darrell Cox swept home the only goal in the 50th minute and, as was to be expected, Borough's defence was thoroughly tested by their opponents late onslaught and held out successfully with some vital last ditch blocks

*Apr 21, 2012, 8:57 pm*

## **BOROUGH LOSE GAME OF 4 SPOT KICKS**

Borough's disappointing end of season form continued with yet another home defeat, this time 1-4 by Tring Athletic. Leading 1-0 at the interval Borough's second half surrender seemed to suggest that minds were already focused on next Tuesdays League Trophy Final at Hanwell Town against Hillingdon Borough. And the penalty for such a lacklustre performance was duly paid – three penalties in fact with the first leading to the dismissal of Charles Douse. All were tucked away by Tony Fields who also netted the only open play goal of the game to draw his side level, Borough's first half goal also being a penalty which Lloyd Opara drove home. But if this suggests a rough house game nothing could be further from the truth for it was a typical "end of season, nothing much at stake" affair with Tring deserving winners for their greater appetite for hard work. If Borough's poor home form had just matched their away record over the season they would have garnered 90 points which is often enough for promotion, although not this season. But in reality the home haul of 1.71 points per game as opposed to 2.15 per game when travelling now sees Borough needing to win away to Champions Royston Town next Saturday just to finish 4<sup>th</sup> as the 3 goal margin of today's defeat coupled with Aylesbury United beating Royston Town by 3-0 has equalled up the goal differences and "The Ducks" are only 2 points behind. Ironically Aylesbury will actually have the chance to secure 4<sup>th</sup> spot by winning at Coles Park

next Saturday for they will be away to homeless London Tigers who have hired the Stadium.

*Apr 15, 2012, 10:55 am*

## **WOMENS MATCH POSTPONED** **BUT PROMOTION CONFIRMED**

The match between Haringey Borough and Baldock Town Women on 15th April was called off as Baldock were unable to raise a team. The points have been awarded to Borough which cements a second place finish. This means that Borough should now play off against the 10th placed team in the Premier Division for possible promotion back to the Premier Division from which they were relegated at the end of season 2010/11 but with a number of Premier Division Clubs withdrawing automatic Promotion for Borough has been announced.

*Apr 14, 2012, 8:42 pm*

## **BOROUGH COMPLETE THEIR CENTURY** **TARGET DESPITE SUB-STANDARD** **PERFORMANCE**

Almost certainly for the first time ever since the merger of Edmonton and Wood Green Town to form the renamed Club in the mid 1970's Borough have scored 100 League goals and with two games to spare as well. Surprisingly it was central defender Nick Nicou who notched the 100<sup>th</sup> – and even more surprisingly it came in open play and from close range too. There was little else to enthuse about in Borough's performance at Broxbourne Borough's Goffs Lane ground in which they twice came from behind to be level at 2-2 at the interval only to lose to the only goal of the second half. With nothing of great importance at stake it was obvious from the start that Broxbourne were showing more passion and pride in their performance and while a draw would probably have been a fairer overall outcome on the run of play they made their greater determination count.

**DECISIVE EVENTS ELSEWHERE** - Congratulations are due to Royston Town who secured the Championship today thanks to their not unexpected 1-0 win at Oxhey Jets coupled with the very surprising 0-1 home defeat by Hillingdon Borough of their only challengers Dunstable Town. We had hoped that Dunstable would maintain the pressure so that we would have been in with the chance of making a decisive contribution to the race when we visit Garden Walk on the last day of the season but the match may well now mean more to us than to "The Crows" if we need a point to clinch 4<sup>th</sup> spot.

At the wrong end of the table Holmer Green virtually secured their survival with a 1-0 win over Harefield United and it is Hanwell Town and Hatfield Town who will occupy the relegation spots barring some extraordinary cricket type scores in the final two games.

Aug 11, 2012, 11:52 pm

## **AFC KEMPSTON ROVERS AVENGE LAST SEASONS DEFEAT**

BOROUGH's hopes of a long and lucrative FA Cup run came crashing down at the first handle as AFC Kempston Rovers reversed the result of last season's corresponding game as the draw co-incidentally threw up the same pairing. The kindest thing that can be said about Borough's performance is that they were not at their best. Full report on "Fixtures and Results" page

Aug 2, 2012, 10:13 pm

## ***KNOCK OUT COMPETITION DRAWS ANNOUNCED***

Borough will start the defence of their League Challenge Trophy on Wednesday 26th September when they visit Welwyn Garden City in the First Round. Victory would see them on the road again to either Hatfield Town or New Bradwell St. Peter.

In the Premier Division Cup Borough have a First Round bye and will visit either Biggleswade United or Stotfold in the 2nd Round. Success would see them at home to either Hertford Town, Oxhey Jets or Holmer Green.

In the London Senior Cup they have a bye in the First Round and will be at home in the 2nd Round to either Lewisham Borough Community FC or Kent Football United FC - both completely unknown quantities - provisionally on Tuesday 16th October. Victory would entail a 3rd Round visit to either Fisher of the Kent League or our Essex Senior League Groundsharers Haringey & Waltham Development (lets hope its the latter!). The survivor will be at home to Wingate & Finchley in the 4th Round and the winner of that game will be at home in the quarter Final to either Hendon, Redbridge, Croydon or Clapton.

Jul 28, 2012, 10:45 pm

## **EVER WANTED TO BECOME PART OF A SENIOR CLUB'S SET UP ?**

We have plenty of openings for people looking for the chance to make a contribution to the off-field activities of the Club. If you think any of the following roles might be for you do please get in touch. E-mail to [ClubSecretary@haringeyboroughfc.com](mailto:ClubSecretary@haringeyboroughfc.com)

**ALL POSTS ARE HONORARY AIMED AT PEOPLE WHO LOVE THE GAME AND WOULD DERIVE SATISFACTION FROM THEIR INVOLVEMENT RATHER THAN FINANCIAL REWARD**

The notes at the end the list may assist in understanding what is required

FIXTURES SECRETARY - to liaise with opponents and match officials [SEE NOTE H](#)

PROGRAMME PRODUCER - to write, print and photocopy programme for every home match. [SEE NOTES B,C,D,E,F,H,I](#)

PRESS OFFICER - to send reports on all matches to local papers [SEE NOTES B,C,D,E,F,H,I](#)

WEB SITE ADMINISTRATOR - constant updating required; need to keep abreast of all Club activity [SEE NOTES B,C,D,E,F,H,I](#)

KIT MAN - arrange laundering of kit after every match and bring to next game. Match ball responsibility [SEE NOTES A, C, D, E, F](#)

GATE MAN - collect entry and programme money [SEE NOTES C, D](#)

PHYSIO - might interest newly qualified practitioner for whom a period of involvement with a Senior Club would be a useful entry on their CV [SEE NOTES B,C,D,E,F,G](#)

MINIBUS DRIVER [SEE NOTES E, F](#)

#### NOTES

- A Car use essential
- B Car use desirable
- C Need to be able to attend Saturday Home games
- D Need to be able to attend Tuesday Home games
- E Need to be able to attend Saturday Away games
- F Need to be able to attend Midweek Away games
- G Need to be able to attend Tuesday and Thursday training evenings
- H Must have regular e-mail access
- I Must be IT literate with Computer, printing and photocopying facility

*Jul 11, 2012, 11:19 pm*

## **SPARTAN SOUTH MIDLANDS LEAGUE AUGUST FIXTURES PUBLISHED**

See details on "Fixtures & Results" page

*Jul 6, 2012, 1:27 pm*

## **FA COMPETITION DRAWS ANNOUNCED**

The Draws for the early rounds of the 2012/13 FA Cup and Vase have been made

See "Fixtures and Results" Menu and select matches on 11th August and 1st September for details as regards Borough's ties

*Jun 20, 2012, 12:58 pm*

## 2012/13 PRE SEASON TRAINING ARRANGEMENTS

Select TRIALS & TRAINING from Menu for locations and times

*Jun 16, 2012, 12:58 pm*

## **AWARD FOR BOROUGH AT LEAGUE AGM**

The Spartan South Midland league AGM took place at Tring Athletics stadium on Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> June

**BOROUGH** received the **ASSOCIATION OF SPARTAN SOUTH MIDLANDS MATCH OFFICIALS** award for the most **OUTSTANDING HOSPITALITY** provided by the 22 Premier Division Clubs

There were no major surprises. Competitive Fixtures will start on Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> August – which in practice means that most Clubs will begin the season with their Extra Preliminary Round tie in the FA Cup, unless they receive a bye.

The Premier Division will consist of 22 Clubs – the other 21 being AFC DUNSTABLE, AMPHILL TOWN (promoted from Division 1), AYLESBURY UNITED, BERKHAMSTED, BIGGLESWADE UNITED, BROXBORNE BOROUGH V&E, COLNEY HEATH, DUNSTABLE TOWN, HADLEY, HANWELL TOWN, HAREFIELD UNITED, HERTFORD TOWN, HILLINGDON BOROUGH, HOLMER GREEN, LEVERSTOCK GREEN, LONDON COLNEY (promoted from Division 1), LONDON TIGERS, OXHEY JETS, ST. MARGARETSBURY, STOTFOLD, TRING ATHLETIC

*May 19, 2012, 3:48 pm*

## **MAJOR SPONSORSHIP DEAL FOR** **BOROUGH**

The Club is delighted to announce the creation of a sponsorship deal with Buckingham Group Contracting Ltd whose Head Office is in Stowe, to the west of Milton Keynes.

With a company history dating back to the formation of Buckingham Plant Hire in 1955, over the past fifteen years the Buckingham Group has been one of the fastest growing Civil, Rail and Construction Contractors in England. The company is now an established Main Contractor, undertaking significant multi-disciplinary construction projects in a range of sectors.

Buckingham have a history of working on football stadiums including the construction of the new Amex Stadium for Brighton & Hove Albion. Whilst working on the re-development of the site opposite Coles Park they kindly approached the Club and have offered their assistance with much needed groundworks and drainage works.

Club Chairman Aki Achillea stated " It's a fantastic gesture by Buckingham who are committing men, machinery and materials to help the Club improve the facilities which have been dilapidated for some time. Such improvements will go some way towards helping Haringey Borough Football Club achieve the requisite ground grading needed to move the Club forward. With the men's team having their highest finish in the League, the women having been promoted back to the Premier Division and the ground improvements, matters are certainly moving in the right direction, enabling us to continue to strive towards giving the Local Community a Club to be proud of."

Buckingham's site foreman Stephen Bucknall stated " We are delighted to be able to offer our services. The opportunity arose as a result of our close proximity to the Club and we felt that if we could make a difference to the Club we would be more than willing to assist. We are keen as a Company to help where we can and are delighted that our services have been so gratefully received by a group of hard working individuals at the Club. We are well aware of the cost of such works to Club's in the position of Haringey Borough and we hope that our intervention and assistance will go some way to helping the Club achieve it's aims and ambitions "

*Sep 1, 2012, 6:36 pm*

## **SECOND HALF IMPROVEMENT** **SECURES VASE PROGRESS**

A dire first half performance left Borough one down; their second half display, although not exactly scintillating, was sufficiently improved to reverse the damage and secure a 3-1 win and a place in the 2nd Qualifying Round when Hadley will visit Coles Park on Saturday 15th September. Fuller report under "Fixtures & Results"

*Aug 28, 2012, 11:21 pm*

## **MIDWEEK DISAPPOINTMENT**

Borough returned from Harefield United losers by the odd goal in three after an end to end game by two sides full of attacking intent. Two crisply taken goals just after the half hour mark put "The Hares" in the driving seat and it was not until three minutes from time that Borough's efforts were rewarded when Darrell Cox nodded home a corner to set up a nervy few minutes for the hosts.

*Aug 27, 2012, 11:28 am*

## **BOROUGH SIGN FULL IRISH INTERNATIONAL**

Borough are delighted to have signed JOE O'CEARUILL – a central defender with 2 full Republic of Ireland caps to his name. Joe boasts an impressive CV for after playing at Youth level for Leyton Orient and Watford he was signed on a professional contract by Arsenal making the bench for their first team and playing for their Reserves. Loaned out to Brighton & Hove Albion he made 8 first team appearances there before signing for Barnet for which Club he turned out 15 times. A spell in the Republic with St. Patricks Athletic in season 2008/09 was followed by a return to England and appearances for Harlow Town, Borehamwood, Forest Green Rovers, Bishops Stortford; and finally in the Ryman League Premier Division with Tooting and Mitcham United last season on contract terms. We hope Joe will have a long and distinguished career with us and that his extensive experience will help fulfil our own Ryman ambitions.

*Aug 25, 2012, 6:36 pm*

## **AWAY DAY JOY**

As was to be expected, this being Borough's first away game, the performance was better than anything seen in the previous 4 games at Coles Park. Following on from last season success ratio of 60% at Coles Park and 70% away from home. Whilst Borough will probably not be gifted such an easy goal again this season as that which gave them a 4<sup>th</sup> minute lead at Hertford Town the profligate wasting of opportunities was absent. Far less than usual were created but the two put away in the first quarter of an hour were sufficient to secure a 2-1 win.

*Aug 21, 2012, 11:49 pm*

## **ITS GETTING TO BE BEYOND A JOKE**

If it was thought that the Borough finishing could not get any worse than that served up in the the two previous games that hope was emphatically dispelled by the interval after Borough had enjoyed by far the greater share of possession and a nervous defence had gifted them the ball in dangerous positions on more than one occasion. It can only be assumed that the players had decided to hold a private competition to see who could put in the shot widest of the mark ! The visiting keeper who should have been given the opportunity to be his teams hero might as well have stayed in the dressing room. After the restart Leverstock Green grew in confidence and showed how it should be done as

they seized a comparatively rare half chance of their own to win the game in the 75<sup>th</sup> minute.

*Aug 19, 2012, 8:12 pm*

## AND THE WOMEN SHOW THAT THEY CAN BE JUST AS WASTEFUL TOO! BUT ALLS WELL THAT ENDS WELL

Borough Women should have been out of sight by the interval based on the number of fine opportunities created , but had netted only one of the more difficult chances through Eleftheria Taladianou. But it was a different story after the interval as Sawbridgeworth Town siezed the initiative but fortunately showed that they could be just as wasteful. Even so only the inside of a post and some fine saves by 'keeper Onyinye Nkemdirim preserved the lead before "Ellie" doubled the score to make the game safe five minutes from the end.

*Aug 18, 2012, 7:05 pm*

## WASTEFUL AGAIN - AND THIS TIME BOROUGH PAY A PRICE

Once again Borough had enough fine chances to have made the game safe by the interval and wasted all but one of them. So Ampthill Towns mid second-half equaliser cost two points but the visitors had a particularly bright spell of their own straight after the interval and fortunately they too did not make the most of some fine opportunities.

*Aug 15, 2012, 12:48 am*

## WASTEFUL BOROUGH GET AWAY WITH IT

It was fortunate that London Tigers consolation stoppage goal time was no more than that, for Borough could have been regretting having missed a host of gilt edged chances; but the one in each half which were put away garnered the points from this opening League game.

*Sep 29, 2012, 8:27 pm*



## FIRST "NO-SCORE" DRAW SINCE JANUARY 2011 - BUT DEFINITELY NOT A BORE DRAW

Matches between Borough and Colney Heath are never occasions when the faint-hearted would feel comfortable and this game completely fulfilled such expectations. Both teams played most of the match with only 10 players and there could be little argument about the justice of the dismissals. Some other players trod a dangerous line and could well have suffered similar fates. Borough may feel disappointed at dropping two points from what may well have been their best performance of the season. But much credit must go to the visiting ' keeper Jamie Jackson for what was surely a man of the match performance. Borough have certainly played worse and won and will doubtless do so again.

*Sep 26, 2012, 11:25 pm*

## TROPHY DEFENCE STARTS CONVINCINGLY

Borough never looked in danger of an early exit as they began their defence of the League Challenge Trophy they won last season with a 5-1 win at Welwyn Garden City on Wednesday 26th. The Citizens threatened to make a game of it in the first half and equalized Chris Benjamin's 12th minute opener with a fine goal but by half time Benjamin had completed his hat-trick. Borough's lead was never seriously threatened in the second half when only some fine home goalkeeping and goal-line clearances kept the score down with Benjamin netting his 4th and Roland Namquita completing the scoring. In the 2nd Round borough will visit New Bradwell St. Peter, another 1st Division team and currently at the foot of the table who, perhaps rather surprisingly, won 2-0 away to Premier Division opponents (Hatfield Town) in the 1st. round

*Sep 23, 2012, 5:35 pm*

## NO GAME FOR THE MEN - WOMEN WIN AGAIN

Borough Women returned victorious from their visit to Stevenage Borough with a hard fought 2-1 win secured by early and late goals. This was their second successive 2-1 win after a disastrous three weeks that saw them ship 18 goals although scoring 9 themselves; but their more patient and measured "build from the back" approach has immediately brought a six point dividend to lift them into the top half of the table.

*Sep 18, 2012, 10:37 pm*

## GOALS GALORE BUT MORE MIDWEEK WOE

If goals are your fancy then Borough are the team to watch for their last three games have seen 19 hit the net. Unfortunately, although Borough have scored more of them (10 - 9 ) they have twice been the losers. The game at St. Margaretsbury was an end to end affair with plenty of chances , shots on target and fine saves but it was "The Saints" whose defence was the more solid who ran out 5-2 winners and so ended the previous 8 match run of games between the Clubs which had seen Borough win 7 and draw the other. Borough now lie 9th in the table with a 50% record (4-1-4) earning 13 points from their 9 games, 10 points behind unbeaten leaders Dunstable Town who have also played 9 games.

*Sep 15, 2012, 9:57 pm*

## AFTER THE LORD MAYORS SHOW.....

.....it was back home and down to earth with a bump as fellow Spartan South Midlands League team HADLEY deservedly left Coles Park 4-0 winners and will now play Berkhamsted - also of our League - in the 1st Round Proper of the FA Carlsberg Vase. Hardly a result to be expected following an 8-0 win against a team higher in the table than Hadley, but then consistency and predictability have never featured prominently in Borough's history.

*Sep 11, 2012, 10:43 pm*

## 8 - 0 WIN ENDS MID-WEEK HOODOO

Given that Borough's last three midweek matches have resulted in 3 defeats following indifferent performances no-one would have dreamed of forecasting an 8 - 0 win away to the team lying second in the table. But it was no fluke although after 40 minutes of even end to end football such a result never seemed remotely on the cards. But two quick goals in the dying minutes of the first half were followed by a devastating display of speed and finishing after the interval. Borough even wasted a penalty and finished with only ten men. Despite the win Borough still remain behind their victims in the table in 6th place with 13 points from 8 games, 6 behind leaders Dunstable Town who have played a game less.

*Sep 8, 2012, 7:43 pm*

## WHEN SATURDAY COMES.....

.....all is well. For the second consecutive Saturday Borough turned a half time deficit into a 3-1 win. This time at Hillingdon Borough's Middlesex Stadium in a League match. The 3 points lifted Borough to 9th in the table with 10 points from 7 games.

*Sep 4, 2012, 11:35 pm*

## YET ANOTHER THREE POINTS THROWN AWAY THROUGH SLOPPY FINISHING

In a game of few clear cut chances, Borough contrived to miss two golden opportunities in the closing minutes and then stoppage time which would have reversed the destination of the three points which Hanwell Town's sole successful strike of the match in the 52nd minute secured for them.

*Oct 17, 2012, 1:02 am*

## EDGY LONDON SENIOR CUP WIN SETS UP MATCH WITH OUR GROUND SHARERS

Haringey looked to have the match well in hand when they secured a 2-0 lead after 20 minutes. But visiting Lewisham Borough had other ideas and were level before the interval. Haringey failed to heed the warning and it was no surprise when the visitors took a 53rd minute lead. But Haringey got a grip late on and 2 goals turned the tie in their favour and they held on through a nervy last ten minutes and stoppage time. In the next round Borough will meet Haringey & Waltham Development FC - the Essex Senior League team ground sharing at Coles Park - who made a more convincing entrance to the 3rd Round with a fine 3-1 win at Kent League team Fisher last Monday.

*Oct 13, 2012, 10:38 pm*

## LACKLUSTRE DISPLAY ENDS WINNING RUN

Borough's below par performance at Stotfold deserved no more than the 1-1 draw it produced. The injury hit home side showed greater desire from start to finish. And it could have been worse for the Borough goal survived several narrow squeaks in the closing stages. Borough remain 6th in the table but have played the highest number of games of any Club in the Premier Division -14 which is 1/3rd of the programme and if the 24 point haul is repeated in the other matches then 72 points will not be enough to secure promotion.

.....and on Sunday the Womens teams 3 match winning League run came to an end too although they certainly deserved a point they didn't get after hitting the bar and a post and having a last minute effort kicked off the line as Colchester Town left with the points with a goal scrambled home early in the seconf half following a corner

*Oct 9, 2012, 10:50 pm*

## WINNING RUN EXTENDED TO 3 GAMES

Borough produced a "purple patch" midway through the first half to secure a 3-0 lead at Berkhamsted in a 15 minute spell in a match that was otherwise an even contest with Borough's keeper being just as busy as the home custodian. A goal a-piece after the interval saw Borough leave 4-1 winners. The win maintained 6th position with Borough now only 7 points behind leaders Dunstable Town but having played a game more.

*Oct 7, 2012, 10:08 pm*

## *PLEASE SUPPORT A REALLY WORTHWHILE CAUSE*

On Friday 26th October, the Club is very pleased to have the opportunity to make the ground available for a Charity game featuring an Arsenal Celebrity XI. This will be a match staged to raise funds for medical treatment needed by a local lad who needs stem cell treatment abroad for Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy.

Among the Arsenal Celebrities who have already agreed to appear are Phil Daniels (of Eastenders), Patrick Robinson (of Casualty), Mark Ramprakash, Tony Walsh Ground Force, Ralf Little, Joe Swash, Perry Groves and Brian Hornsby. The opposition will be provided by a team of family and friends of the boy.

As well as the football match it will be a family fun evening starting at 5pm and will include a Bouncy castle and BBQ. Drinks and snacks will be available. Tickets can be obtained in advance £4, children £2, from the organiser Paul Turner on 07894 955163 or by e-mail to [mrpault@hotmail.com](mailto:mrpault@hotmail.com)

Do please come along and take the opportunity to see our brand new Clubhouse and bar (opened today) -which you may wish to consider hiring in the future for events of your own - while supporting this vital fund raising event.

*Oct 6, 2012, 7:56 pm*

## COMFORTABLE WIN LIFTS BOROUGH TO 6th

A 2-0 home success against a team one place off the foot of the table probably fits the "bread and butter win" description. Holmer Green threatened to cause problems for a spell mid-way through the first half in which Borough's performance was far from the best they are capable of. Finishing repeatedly let Borough down but Roland Namquita finally broke the deadlock after an hour with a close range finish and six minutes later Borough nerves were eased when Darrell Cox blasted home a spot kick after Chris Benjamin had been clumsily sent tumbling by the 'keeper.

.....and not to be outdone the Women too recorded a 2-0 win at Coles Park on Sunday, also with the aid of a penalty (by Carrie-Anne Layton) and a smart Erika Vareckova finish against visiting Barking. The points lifted them to 3rd in the table.

*Oct 5, 2012, 12:15 pm*

## *CHAIRMAN ANNOUNCES EXCITING NEW SPONSORSHIP*

Following on from our successful sponsorship during the summer with the Buckingham Construction Group and the assistance they kindly gave I am delighted to say that The Club have now secured a long term sponsorship deal with Selco Builders Warehouse.

Our Sponsors have moved into the locality and their Warehouse is directly opposite our Ground .

Selco were instrumental in arranging a meeting with us to see what assistance they could provide to facilitate the provision of a good standard of football in respect of both our Men's first team and our Ladies team.

To be associated with a Company of such magnitude is tremendous for a Club our size and we firmly believe that with the support that is to be given to us that we will increase our

profile locally and as a consequence attract more spectators which will help the Club achieve our aims of promotion for both our Men and Women.

We would invite the local community to venture down to one of our games and I assure them they will be impressed with both our new facilities and the standard of football . See details of all forthcoming fixtures on this website.

*Oct 2, 2012, 11:03 pm*

## ***NARROW MIDWEEK WIN LIFTS BOROUGH TO 8th***

Borough edged home 2-1 against visiting Hadley who had so comprehensively beaten them three weeks earlier in the FA Vase. But they had to come from behind and relied on 2 set piece goals - one a penalty and the other a free kick to take an interval lead. Late on in the match Hadley exerted sustained pressure but te clinical finishing which had destroyed Borough in the Vase game was not in evidence this time. The win puts Borough on 17 points, some 10 behind leaders Dunstable Town having played the same number of games (11) who regained top spot with a 4-0 win at Leverstock Green.

*Sep 30, 2012, 1:08 am*

## ***ALL LEAGUE FIXTURES NOW DATED***

The League has announced League Fixtures for the remainder of the season and all bar one are now listed on the "Fixtures & Results" page.

*Nov 22, 2012, 1:54 am*

## ***LONDON SENIOR CUP MATCH POSTPONED***

Regrettably, the weather eventually got the better of our scheduled London Senior Cup match at Coles Park. The revised date for the tie is now Wednesday 28th - 7.45pm

The formal opening of our new Clubhouse went ahead as planned and we are grateful to all those who turned out - not least David Browne the Mayor of Haringey, the Ward Councillors and Officials of the Spartan Soth Midlands League, Essex Senior League and London FA; we are sorry they were unable to witness an entertaining game afterwards.

**Saturday 17th November**

*Nov 17, 2012, 9:41 pm*

# PATCHY PERFORMANCE JUST ENOUGH

Borough edged their way into the 3rd Round of the Premier Division Cup with an uneven performance at Stotfold in which they surrendered the lead late in the second half and gifted their opponents the lead with an own goal at the beginning of extra time. It needed a goal in the dying seconds of each period of extra time to turn matters round to secure a 3-2 win. Their quarter final tie will be at home to Tring Athletic who won 3-1 at London Colney.

**Saturday 10th November**

*Nov 10, 2012, 10:56 pm*

## BOROUGH FAIL TO CAPITALISE ON OPPONENTS MISFORTUNE

After only seven minutes hosts AFC Dunstable were reduced to ten men when a striker was dismissed, rather to the surprise of all, apparently for use of the F word, but they quickly shrugged off that reverse and Borough failed to make their superior numbers count. The home side never seemed noticeably short of personnel in any area of the field, especially mid-field, and deserved their solitary goal victory courtesy of a powerful header to a well flighted free kick midway through the second half; Borough had more than enough chances to have scored two goals but were let down by unusually poor finishing. Borough were also reduced to ten men but not until deep into stoppage time. Defeat resulted in Borough dropping from 6th to 8th as all bar one of the top five won as did the two teams immediately below them.

**Saturday 3rd November**

*Nov 4, 2012, 3:01 pm*

## SECOND HALF IMPROVEMENT SEES BOROUGH SAFELY HOME

This match mirrored that of the home game the previous Tuesday as early Borough domination secured a lead which was lost through the visiting team - hertford Town's - spirited comeback late in the first half. But Borough controlled the second half and won comfortably with two well taken goals and without the late scares which had been a feature of the Tuesday match.

**30th OCTOBER 2012**

*Oct 31, 2012, 12:18 am*

## **BOROUGH MAKE HARD WORK OF GARNERING THREE MIDWEEK POINTS**

Having dominated the opening half hour against visiting Hatfield Town, Borough should have been home and dry but a combination of poor finishing, fine goalkeeping and an inability to stay on-side meant that they had only Dewayne Clarke's well taken 21st minute goal to show for it. Borough then had to rely on two strokes of very good fortune to preserve their points as they were rescued by the framework at the end of each half. A close range header brought Hatfield level before the interval and it needed a trademark Richard Worrell "special" blasted high into the net from the edge of the penalty area to restore the lead. in the 61st minute.

*Oct 27, 2012, 6:10 pm*

## **PLENTY OF POSSESSION - BUT NO END PRODUCT**

Borough lost out by the odd goal in three at London Colney. An early lead was short lived and the Colney winner came from the spot midway through the second half after a strikers shirt had been pulled as he shaped to unleash a close range shot. For all their possession Borough never managed to force the home 'keeper to produce anything out of the ordinary by way of saves.

*Oct 23, 2012, 11:17 pm*

## **COMFORTABLE CHALLENGE TROPHY PROGRESS**

As holders of the League Challenge Trophy Borough were obviously favourites against a team struggling in the First Division but although Borough ran up a 5-0 lead in the first 35 minutes at New Bradwell St. Peter, the hosts had created chances of their own in that period and had twice struck the framework. They did pull one back just before the interval and Richard Worrell added the only goal of the second half (his 4th of the match) to give Borough a 6-1 win. In the next round they will travel to meet another Division One side - Crawley Green, who play at the stadium of Barton Rovers - who beat Premier Division London Tigers on penalties after a 4-4 dra. Date not yet known.

*Oct 21, 2012, 2:47 pm*

## **MORE HOME POINTS DROPPED**



On Saturday 20th October the extraordinary sequence of games between Haringey Borough and Tring Athletic not producing a home win was extended to 8 (5 at Coles Park, 3 at The Grass Roots Stadium). But Borough have only themselves to blame for dropping two more points in a 2-2 Draw as despite having been reduced to ten men they dominated the closing stages only to waste two gilt edged opportunities in the lengthy stoppage time of an eventful match. Full report on "Fixtures & Results" page

*Feb 9, 2013, 9:44 pm*

## FIRST WIN OF NEW YEAR

BOROUGH made hard work of winning by the odd goal in 5 at Hatfield Town's Gosling Stadium and needed to come from behind to do so. Despite creating far more chances than the home side they were frustrated by their own poor finishing and a defiant display by Hatfield 'keeper Emmanuel Olajide. Dean Fenton equalised Town's opening goal and Rakim Richards deflected effort put Borough ahead just before the interval. After Hatfield drove home an equaliser Fenton settled the game, finishing from point blank range after a corner led to a goalmouth scramble. Borough survived some late scares with Erbil Bozkurt making a couple of smart saves but Borough wasted more than enough good chances to have made the game safe and avoid nervy stoppage time.

**5th February 2013**

*Feb 4, 2013, 3:22 pm*

## MISERABLE START TO THE NEW YEAR CONTINUES

Borough finally played their second game of 2013 - albeit only by reversing what should have been their home fixture in the Premier Division Cup quarter final to their opponents (Tring Athletic) ground. Like the first it ended in a penalty shoot-out and yet again the framework denied Borough as their second and 4th efforts crashed against the bar. In normal time the match ended 2-2 but only thanks to a Tring defender glancing a back header over his own 'keeper in the dying seconds of stoppage time. The extra 30 minutes produced no further scores.

**3 February 2013**

*Feb 3, 2013, 8:11 pm*

## A GAME AT LAST !

In what was only the second game of the New Year for a Club team, the Women returned from Colchester Town with a hard earned point in a 2-2 draw. It was proverbial game of two halves with Borough 2 up at the interval through debut making Xelia Mendes-Jones header and a close range finish from Michelle Thomas but facing a brisk wind and slight slope in the second half in which Colchester scored in the opening minutes and equalised soon after. But Borough hung on to a point with 'keeper Onyinye Nkemdirim earning the plaudits as "player of the match" after repelling sustained pressure and producing one superb tip over.

8th JANUARY 2013

Jan 8, 2013, 11:33 pm

## NEW YEAR STARTS WITH PENALTY SHOOT OUT MISERY

Despite not having played a game since December 12th Borough never looked ring-rusty in their London Senior Cup game away to Ryman League Premier Division Wingate & Finchley. A neutral would have been hard-pressed to decide which was the Level 3 and which the Level 5 Club. 1-1 was a fair result although Borough had to survive a lot of late pressure having been reduced to 10 men for the last 20 minutes through Rickelle Christian's two yellow cards. Leon Smith gave Wingate the lead after 60 minutes but Dean Fenton fired home a fine equaliser two minutes later. The penalty shoot out started with Darrell Cox's being saved and Wingate firing their first well over but there was only to be one more miss and that came when Joe O'Cearuill's effort crashed against a post to put Borough out.

12th December

Dec 12, 2012, 1:49 pm

## LONDON SENIOR CUP GAME

BOROUGH just edged their "derby" game with their ground -sharers Haringey & Waltham Development FC by 2-1. But they had to endure a nervous final few minutes when H & W pulled a goal back in the 86th minute and only a magnificent stoppage time save by 'keeper Austin Byfield prevented a penalty shoot out. In the next round Borough visit Ryman Premier League side Wingate & Finchley at their Summers Lane Stadium on Tuesday 8th January. Entrance £10 adult (£5 concessions, £3 Under 16s)

2 December

Dec 2, 2012, 6:37 pm

## PERFORMANCE OF THE SEASON BRINGS BACK A POINT FROM LEAGUE LEADERS

Young Borough 'keeper Onyinye Nkemdirim was the saviour of Borough on numerous occasions with a series of incredible saves which brought deserved admiration - disbelief almost on occasions - from all who witnessed her performance. But she was backed up by an outstanding and committed contribution from all her outfield colleagues in what was certainly the teams best performance of this season, and perhaps of any season as League leaders C & K Basildon threw everything at the Borough defence with increasing urgency as the second half wore on but could only breach it once to cancel out Erika Vareckova's fine curling first half shot which had given Borough an interval lead to defend.

1 December 2012

Dec 1, 2012, 11:01 pm

## **BOROUGH JUST EDGED OUT IN VITAL CLASH**

Borough's hopes of finishing in a promotion spot although, not mathematically extinguished, were dealt a grievous blow by their visiting opponents 2nd placed Aylesbury United in front of Coles Park's highest attendance of the season (77) . Borough may have been unlucky to fall behind to a rather soft hand ball penalty but overall "The Ducks" looked the more threatening team and were unlucky themselves when the bar intervened twice to save Borough in the space of a few seconds early in the second half. Borough started in 8th position and remain there but with six of the teams above them all recording wins their catch-up requirement is quite formidable and they are now 19 points behind leaders Dunstable Town and 15 behind "The Ducks"

Thursday 22nd November

Nov 22, 2012, 1:57 am

## **UPCOMING SPECIAL GAME AT COLES PARK**

**SATURDAY 1<sup>st</sup> DECEMBER** Come and lend your support to the Boro (ko 3pm) We have decided to make the game against title challengers Aylesbury United on the above date a free game for all supporters. Chairman Aki Achillea stated " We have decided to make no charge for entry against Aylesbury United as we wish to get our largest League crowd in what is our biggest game of the season so far. We have promoted free entry in the local schools and hope that parents and children alike will avail themselves of the opportunity to attend, support their local non-league side , get right behind the team and create an atmosphere like no other. A glance at the League table will show how important a victory will be and hopefully spur the team on for their next game which is a visit to table toppers Dunstable Town. I cannot over emphasise how big a game this is . If we lose our chances of securing top spot this season will be as good as over so come on down to Coles Park, see what our Club has to offer and support the boys"

Mar 13, 2013, 11:43 pm

## **MIDWEEK DEJA-VU**

The midweek visit of Hillingdon Borough followed a pattern remarkably similar to that of the previous midweek fixture with St. Margaretsbury last Thursday. Borough dominated the first half and seemed comfortably in control of the match again with the assistance of a penalty awarded for hand-ball. But relaxing too soon with only a two goal lead let the visitors back into the game and through an early second half goal. Similarities continued as Borough were again reduced to ten men as Dewayne Clarke picked up two yellows in quick succession. The pendulum then swung the visitors way but again Borough dug-in to garner the three points with an odd goal win. Borough have now played the 2006 Vase finalists eleven times since their return to the Spartan South Midlands League in 2009/10 without losing (9 wins and 2 draws). This win lifted Borough into the top half of the table in 10th position and they have still played less games than any other team in the Division having completed onl 2/3rds of their programme; 28 down 14 to go

9th March 2013

Mar 9, 2013, 11:21 pm

## LATE PURPLE PATCH BRINGS EMPHATIC VICTORY

Although there had been no end of earlier attempts on both goals, such was the waywardness of the finishing that a goal-less encounter at Ampthill Town seemed the most likely outcome. But 20 minutes from time Dean Fenton slotted home accurately to give Borough the lead and after that Borough completely dominated proceedings scoring three more times through Oleg Semjonovs, an own goal and Anthony McDonald

7th March 2013

Mar 8, 2013, 12:15 am

## MIDWEEK HOODOO LAID TO REST

At the 6th attempt Borough finally won a midweek game in 2013 when St. Margaretsbury visited Coles Park. Borough dominated the first half and were 3 ahead at the interval. But the second half was a different story as "The Bury" reduced the arrears just 4 minutes after the restart and after Borough were red-carded down to ten players the visitors created numerous chances but could only put one of them away.

5th March 2013

Mar 5, 2013, 11:51 pm

## TIGERS MAUL MULTI-CHANGE BOROUGH

With seven games to be played in the space of 14 days, inevitably a rotation policy had to be implemented and for the 2nd game of the sequence, away to London Tigers, Borough's squad of 13 included two making their Club debuts and two others with only 4 appearances between them. So it was no surprise that the team did not immediately "gel" and were quickly on the back-foot against eager opponents who, with better finishing, might have had more than the goal in each half which gave them a 2-0 victory

2nd March 2013

Mar 2, 2013, 10:28 pm

## MUCH IMPROVED BOROUGH DRAW ENTERTAINING GAME

Anthony McDonald scored his first goal for the Club eleven minutes into a fine match which ended 1-1 as visiting Hanwell Town's run of consecutive League wins was halted at the 11th attempt. After Hanwell's equaliser early in the second half both sides went

looking for a winner and only a superb save by each 'keeper in stoppage time preserved the point both teams deserved.

26th February 2013

Feb 27, 2013, 11:17 pm

## ANOTHER MIDWEEK SETBACK

Midweek seems not to agree with Borough as all four games played this year have resulted in narrow defeats. In fact Borough have played 10 consecutive games decided by a one goal margin or a penalty shoot out. A fairly even first half saw Borough leading Biggleswade United by virtue of Andreas Loizou's fierce dipping strike but if Borough thought the match was won by the interval they were sorely mistaken as the visitors dominated the second half and well deserved the 3 points they left with after their 2-1 win.

23rd February 2013

Feb 23, 2013, 10:34 pm

## DEFIANT KEEPER DENIES BOROUGH A DESERVED POINT

Only an outstanding display by home 'keeper Tom Coulton prevented Borough from returning with a point from their visit to Leverstock Green's Pancake Lane ground which on the basis of their second half onslaught would have been just reward. In a fairly even first half "The Green" had created the better chances and Curt Dizon put away the only goal of the match shortly before the interval.

February 20th

Feb 21, 2013, 1:32 pm

## MORE EXTRA TIME CUP MISERY

Borough have played just 4 games in 2013 and 3 of them have seen Cup Exits - the latest being the relinquishing of our hold on the League Challenge Trophy. At least this time it was not by virtue of a penalty shoot out although that was only avoided by minutes. Borough should have secured victory in normal time but a saved penalty when the score was 0-0 and a stoppage time equaliser for the hosts meant extra time which was far from ideal for much changed Borough with only one outfield player substitute and although a scrambled effort put Borough ahead in the first period they could not hold out against the determined running of their speedy opponents from Division One naturally focused on overcoming Premier Division opposition - and the Cup holders to boot. Sadly, this defeat was a carbon copy in terms of scoring sequence as the Women had exited their League Cup three days earlier after extra time away to a team from the Division below them (Norwich City Reserves) after twice being ahead. Defeat leaves Borough with half a season's League fixtures (21) to play before the end of April with neither Promotion or Relegation looking mathematically realistic.

Apr 11, 2013, 11:38 pm

## *RUN OF DEFEATS ENDED*

Playing their 4th game in the space of 6 days a Borough team showing many changes from that which had done so well at Champions Dunstable Town two days earlier finally ended the run of four consecutive defeats at Tring Athletic's Grass Roots Stadium. In less than two minutes Dean Fenton had put Borough ahead and Anthony McDonald doubled the lead a minute before the interval. Tring pulled one back midway through the second half and some fiery clashes in the latter stages, on both the field and the touchline, belied the fact that it was a somewhat meaningless end of season mid-table affair. Borough missed some fine half chance opportunities to create a bigger safety margin but held out fairly comfortably for their 2-1 win.

9th April 2013

Apr 10, 2013, 12:00 am

## *BOROUGH PUSH CHAMPIONS ALL THE WAY*

It has long been obvious that Dunstable Town would be this seasons Champions but they needed to beat Borough at Creasey Park to make it a mathematical reality. They did so but not until Borough had produced a second half display which would have left the unknowing wondering which team were the Champions elect. Borough were eventually undone by conceding one set piece too many some ten minutes from time when a corner was powerfully headed home. And the first Dunstable goal a minute before the interval was also a header created by a free kick. Anthony McDonald had equalised early in the second half with a precise finish from the edge of the area and after that it was anyone's game. So congratulations to Dunstable and we look forward to their visit to Coles Park for the return League fixture on Saturday 20th when their focus will doubtless be on completing their League programme unbeaten - at present they are the only Club in the Country playing at Step 5 level or above not to have lost a League game - assuming neither Harefield United nor AFC Dunstable deprive them of that record in the meantime

8th April 2013

Apr 8, 2013, 11:59 pm

## *ANOTHER DEFEAT - BUT THE LADS DONE GREAT*

With three games to be played in four days culminating in Tuesdays visit to Champions elect Dunstable Town (who will be champions if they overcome Borough) it was inevitable that many changes would be necessary. Borough took the opportunity to give debuts to three young players - Aristides Savva, Jack Christidolou (both aged 17 at right back and left back) and Adam Andreou (aged 18 at wide midfield). They all slotted in well and bore no responsibility for the three Colney Heath goals to which Borough were unable to reply despite enjoying the majority of possession after the interval and going close on several occasions. Unfortunately after being two goals behind at half time Heath's third

arrived seconds after the restart effectively putting the game beyond realistic hope of a successful comeback.

6th April 2013

Apr 6, 2013, 8:46 pm

### BOROUGH GIFT WRAP THE POINTS

It was fortunate that nothing much was at stake when London Colney visited Coles Park as both Clubs will finish in mid-table respectability for had the result been of any importance Borough Manager Tom Loizou would probably have burst a blood vessel as he watched a series of blunders of which the visitors took full advantage to snatch the points when the last of them in the final minute of the game enabled them to leave victors by the odd goal in five; this after Borough had eschewed more than enough chances to have the game won by then. Darrell Cox scored a hat-trick but unfortunately his third was in his own net ! The match encapsulated why Borough, who started the season with realistic hopes of promotion, now have to look on while the team they slaughtered 8-0 in early September battles it out for the runners up spot. Failure to press home advantages and sloppy concessions have taken their toll and that of the 44 competitive matches played 13 have ended in odd goal or penalty shoot out defeats just shows what might have been. Meanwhile results elsewhere mean that still unbeaten Dunstable Town will clinch the Championship if they beat Borough at Creasey Park on Tuesday

3rd April 2013

Apr 3, 2013, 11:45 pm

### DEFEATED - BUT NOT AS EASILY AS THE SCORE SUGGESTS

Borough's pre-match preparations were completely disrupted by the closure of the M1 in Bedfordshire with four players not arriving until after the match should have started. The actual kick-off was at 8.10pm by which time Borough had 12 players but one of the intended starters was unable to reach the ground until half time. Borough fielded a much changed team with two players making their debuts. The 3-0 margin was not an altogether accurate reflection of the game with the third goal not arriving until the 9th minute of stoppage time and then from a penalty for handball. Although two goals down by the interval Borough gave their promotion chasing opponents several nervous moments in the second half, wasting several fine opportunities to reduce the arrears and increase the pressure.

30th March 2013

Mar 30, 2013, 9:17 pm

### BOROUGH BACK ON THE GOAL TRAIL

After two games in which they failed to find the net the 5-0 win over visiting Stotfold was obviously comfortable enough. But it should be borne in mind that the visitors arrived without any substitutes and played their Manager in goal with the Assistant Manager having to enter the fray as a substitute midway through the second half. The first half was even enough with Borough not taking the lead until two minutes from the interval but when Darrell Cox scored twice in the first six minutes of the second half it was all over bar the shouting. Cox went on to add two more to his tally in the last 10 minutes, the first of them from a penalty. Stotfold too were awarded a penalty with the score at 3-0 but Erbil Bozkurt pulled off a fine save.

**28th March 2013**

*Mar 29, 2013, 1:42 am*

## LATE PENALTY DOWNS BOROUGH

A match between two mid-table sides with nothing at stake lived up to the expectations engendered by such a meeting. Clear cut chances were few and far between and the game had goal-less draw written all over it until in the 80th minute a harmless looking cross was deemed to have been handled by Lewis Laws giving visiting Harefield United a hotly disputed penalty which they duly converted to leave with all three points.

**Thursday 14th March**

*Mar 15, 2013, 5:56 pm*

## NO GOALS BUT UNBEATEN RUN NOW FOUR GAMES

Despite being obliged to adopt a rotation policy and omit several regular starters for the 4th game in 8 days on the evening of Thursday 14th, Borough's much changed squad garnered a hard earned point in a goal-less stalemate. Tiring Borough survived a late onslaught from visiting Berkhamsted with some brave defensive blocking in front of defiant 'keeper Erbil Bozkurt although had the oppositions finishing been more clinical it would have been in vain. The point raised Borough one place up the table to 9th.

*Apr 27, 2013, 9:41 pm*

## DISAPPOINTING END TO A FRUSTRATING SEASON

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27th April 2013

Apr 27, 2013, 9:40 pm

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25th April 2013

Apr 26, 2013, 12:00 am

## *NARROW WIN IN FINAL HOME GAME*

Borough's defence kept a clean sheet for the second time in 3 days and its assured performance against the visiting Oxhey Jets team which included the League's runaway leading scorer - 52 goal Lewis Putnam - laid the foundation for the victory. The only goal of the game arrived after 34 minutes when Nick Nicou launched a long ball over the top and Darrell Cox outjumped defenders and keeper to nod the ball against the bar from where it found its way into the corner of the net via a deflection. With "The Jets" desperate for the victory which would have lifted them into second place it was not surprising that Borough had to withstand sustained late pressure. Few opportunities were created in open play and Oxhey's main threat came from set-pieces with which the Borough defence coped convincingly - and pleasingly so too as that has been something of an "Achilles Heel" on too many occasions previously.

23rd April 2013

Apr 23, 2013, 10:57 pm

## *NO GOALS - BUT AN ENTERTAINING GAME*

With nothing more important at stake than the battle to secure as high a finishing position as possible - both Clubs will finish within the 8th to 12th slot - a 0-0 outcome with visiting AFC Dunstable might suggest a bore draw at Coles Park. But that was far from the case as the visitors young, fit and very skilful side never stopped running but could not quite

find the finish in the danger area to get the better of the more experienced Borough defenders. Borough had their chances too but wasted all of them with two second half close range misses being particularly disappointing.

**20th April 2013**

*Apr 20, 2013, 8:52 pm*

## ***SUPERB GAME WITH VISITING CHAMPIONS***

With worthy Champions Dunstable Town still unbeaten in League matches there was no chance of their visit to Coles Park being a nondescript end of season bore. Nor was it as Borough made their visitors recover from a 2 goal deficit before Borough had themselves to score again five minutes from time for the game to end in parity. So Borough failed in their bid to be the first team to overcome the Champions and it now only remains for them to avoid defeat against relegation candidates Hatfield Town at Creasey Park next Saturday to complete their League campaign unbeaten. But the draw did bring to an end Dunstable's run of 21 successive League wins and augers well for Borough's chances of challenging for honours next season.

**17th April 2013**

*Apr 17, 2013, 10:29 pm*

## ***BOROUGH CLIMB TO EIGHTH***

Two fine finishes by Darrell Cox - one after 39 minutes and the other midway through the second half settled Borough's visit to Hadley. But the success was built on a solid defensive display which protected Borough 'keeper Erbil Bozkurt so well that he had only two saves of any note to make all evening and both were from free kicks of which a surprising number were awarded in a rather more combative game than might have been anticipated, given the relative meaninglessness of the match for both teams. It raised Borough from 11th to 8th in the table and with 4 games to play that is realistically as high as Borough can hope to finish since they are 11 points behind the 7th placed team.

**14th April 2013**

*Apr 14, 2013, 10:12 pm*

## ***COUNTY HONOURS FOR BOROUGH PLAYERS***

Two Borough players have been selected for the London FA Squad to meet the Kent FA at the ground of Sevenoaks Town on Wednesday 17th April.

Congratulations to SARAH CLEARY and SHELLEY MINETT

13th April 2013

Apr 13, 2013, 10:04 pm

## 'KEEPER ERBIL JOINS AN ELITE CLUB

Borough's easy 7-2 win at the home of table-proppers Holmer Green was memorable mainly for its goal in the closing minutes when Borough' keeper Erbil Bozkurt launched a massive route one effort from the edge of his own penalty area which bounced higher than might have been expected on the saturated surface and deceived the advancing home keeper as it flew over his head and found the back of the net with three strikers following it home, but refraining from giving it a poke to help it on its way, so enabling Erbil to add his name to the list of goalkeepers who have achieved the equivalent of golf's "hole in one". Earlier Darrell Cox had scored a hat-trick, Anthony McDonald bagged two and Cedric Lakole netted from the spot after the defender who handled the ball had been red-carded. It was 5-0 before the hosts by then reduced to 10 men netted their two consolations,

expected

Jul 27, 2013, 8:04 pm

## ESSEX SENIOR LEAGUE OPENING FIXTURES ANNOUNCED

The fixtures up to the end of October have been published and ours are now shown under "Fixtures & Results".

We start with a home game against Eton Manor on 10th August and then visit Takeley on the evening of Tuesday 13th before starting our FA Cup campaign at home to Rushden & Higham United on Saturday 17th.

In the early months of the season the fixtures are subject to inevitable disruption due to FA and County Cup competitions, so keep an eye on the list

20th July 2013

Jul 24, 2013, 10:46 am

## ANOTHER DECISIVE HEADER

Borough won their second pre-season friendly against visitors Tilbury thanks to a close range header powered home by striker Bradley O'Donovan. All four goals so far netted

at Coles Park this season have been headers. The Borough defence was in fine form and denied the visitors any gilt edged opportunities - and had Borough's finishing been more incisive late on the winning margin would have been greater.

16th July 2013

Jul 16, 2013, 10:53 pm

## AN ENTERTAINING OPENER

Borough and Enfield Town provided a bright opening match at Coles Park. Both sides made multi-changes and Borough won by the odd goal in three - all the scoring being via headers. Mark Kendall put Enfield Town ahead after 30 minutes but two goals in the opening ten minutes of the second half turned the tables with Patou Katshenge equalising and Anthony McDonald bagging the winner. But the closing fifteen minutes were not so bright as they were played out in gathering darkness following a power cut in the area !

5th July 2013

Jul 5, 2013, 11:43 am

## FA COMPETITION DRAWS ANNOUNCED

The draws for the early rounds of the FA Cup and Vase have been made and Borough's games are :-

### FA CUP

Extra Preliminary Round on 17<sup>th</sup> August - HOME TO RUSHDEN & HIGHAM UNITED. Visitors play in Division One of the United Counties League and finished 8<sup>th</sup> from 19 last season with a record of 17 wins 4 Draws 15 Defeats and 62 goals scored with 56 conceded.

If successful the Preliminary Round will be on 31<sup>st</sup> August when we will be - HOME TO AFC HAYES. Very familiar visitors in their earlier guise of Brook House who spent many years in the Spartan and Spartan South Midlands Leagues. They now play in the Southern League Division One Central and last season finished 15<sup>th</sup> from 22 with 13 wins 8 draws and 21 defeats and a goals tally of 74 scored 81 conceded

If we reach the 1<sup>st</sup> Qualifying Round on 14<sup>th</sup> September we will be AWAY to either WARE of the Ryman League Division One North, WEMBLEY of the Combined Counties League Premier Division or AFC KEMPSTON ROVERS of the United Counties League Premier Division - familiar opponents as this would be the third FA Cup meeting with them in as many seasons

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### FA VASE

1<sup>st</sup> Qualifying Round on 7<sup>th</sup> September – AWAY TO SOUTHAL of the Spartan South Midlands League Division One who finished 9<sup>th</sup> from 21 last season with a record of 19 wins 7 draws and 14 defeats and goals scored of 101 conceded 55. They ground share at Hanwell Town's Reynolds Fields Stadium.

If successful then in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Qualifying Round on 21st September we would be HOME to either HAREFIELD UNITED or WELLINGBOROUGH TOWN. The former are well known to us through our long mutual membership of the Athenian, Spartan and Spartan South Midlands Leagues (last season they finished 10<sup>th</sup> when we were 9<sup>th</sup> with the same number of points but a better goal difference; their record was 17 wins 12 draws 13 losses goals 77 – 67).

Wellingborough Town are from the Premier Division of the United Counties League and finished 15<sup>th</sup> from 21 last season with 12 wins 8 draws and 20 defeats scoring 55 and conceding 89

19th June 2013

Jun 20, 2013, 9:39 am

## STARTING DATES ANNOUNCED

The AGMs of the Essex Senior League and the Eastern Region Womens League have taken place. The MENS first (of 38) League matches will be on Saturday 10th AUGUST. The WOMENS first (of 22) League matches will be on Sunday 18th AUGUST. It will be some time yet before the actual fixtures are announced. Both Leagues aim to conclude their campaigns on the final weekend of April, weather permitting.

The Extra Preliminary Round of the FA Cup will be on Saturday 17th August with the draw announced in early July.

22 May 2013

May 22, 2013, 10:49 pm

## *BOROUGH GOING EAST !*

Surprise news today ! The FA have allocated Borough a sideways move into the **ESSEX SENIOR LEAGUE** for 2013/14.

The FA did warn Step 5 Clubs that when their proposal to reduce the number of Leagues from 14 to 12 was abandoned as unworkable they would be more inclined towards sideways moves for Step 5 Clubs where the numbers in such Leagues have long been unequal. Such have been the norm at Steps 2 to 4 for many seasons.

One immediate unfortunate side effect will be the cancellation of our first Friendly Match on 13th July against Enfield 1893 as we will now be in the same League and would prefer not to play friendlies against teams we will be meeting competitively later on.

More updates to follow

14th May 2013

May 16, 2013, 10:18 pm

## ALL OVER – FOR 2 MONTHS

On Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> May, it fell to the Womens Team to bring down the curtain on what has been something of a damp squib of a season as they entertained Bedford in their final League match of the campaign and went down 4-0 to the team doubtless still smarting from their League Cup Final defeat on penalties two days earlier. And damp it certainly was as the game proceeded under an ever increasing deluge !

Both teams finished 9<sup>th</sup> in their respective Leagues - the Mens position being respectable enough in a 22 team Division, although disappointing after better had looked likely in the early part of the season before the weather took a hand and disruption followed. The Womens less so as their Division contains only 11 teams.

The playing records (competitive matches only) for 2012/13 were

MEN                                    P 53    W 24    D 9    L 20    For 104  
against 77

WOMEN                                P 22    W 5    D 3    L 14    For 29  
against 73

29th April 2013

Apr 29, 2013, 12:58 pm

## A DATE FOR YOUR DIARY

**TUESDAY JULY 16th** is when it all starts again. **ENFIELD TOWN** of the Ryman League Premier Division will be the first visitors to Coles Park in the pre-season campaign.

Another Ryman Premier Club - WINGATE & FINCHLEY will visit Coles Park on Saturday 27th July

Other games will be announced when confirmed

Aug 24, 2013, 10:00 pm

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JOHNNY WAS CREMATED AT ENFIELD CREMATORIUM AT 12.30pm ON WEDNESDAY 28<sup>th</sup> AUGUST AND THIS WAS FOLLOWED BY A WAKE IN THE CLUBHOUSE. BOTH WERE WELL ATTENDED BY HIS FRIENDS, NEIGHBOURS AND CLUB COLLEAGUES. IN DUE COURSE HIS ASHES WILL BE SCATTERED ON THE PITCH AND WITH EVERYONE KNOWING OF HIS GREAT PASSION FOR THE CLUB NO-ONE DOUBTS THIS WILL UNDOUBTEDLY ACCORD WITH WHAT HE WOULD HAVE WISHED .

24th August 2013

Aug 24, 2013, 9:59 pm

## UNBEATEN RUN OVER

All good things come to an end eventually, including unbeaten runs but the manner in which ours departed was dismal to say the least. Just how a team which has consistently shown the quality with which its players can perform could turn in such an abject performance beggars belief. So after 17 matches (7 at the end of last season, 6 pre season friendlies and 4 competitive games to date) we finally tasted defeat and deservedly so for it was obvious from the off which team had the greater desire and determination. True, Tower Hamlets secured their 2-1 home victory with a bitterly disputed stoppage time winner but in reality it was probably just reward for their greater effort over 90 minutes

20th August 2013

Aug 20, 2013, 11:35 pm

## SAFELY THROUGH IN ANOTHER KNOCK OUT COMPETITION

Borough preserved their unbeaten record in this, their 4th match of the season, when they visited the Mayesbrook Park Stadium of BARKING FC in the First Round of the League Cup. For the 3rd time in their 4 matches Borough had to come from behind as Barking scored an early goal in their first attack. Borough hit back strongly and had gone close several times before Dewayne Clarke levelled matters a few minutes before the interval. Borough dominated the second half with Anthony McDonald scoring the 2nd and 4th goals and setting up the 3rd for Dean Fenton. In the next round Borough visit the winners of the outstanding tie between Stansted and Sporting Bengal United.

17th August 2013

Aug 18, 2013, 10:09 pm

## BOROUGH CRUISE THROUGH TO NEXT ROUND

Borough comfortably dominated their Extra Preliminary Round Tie in the "FA Cup with Budweiser" against their Step 6 visitors Rushden & Higham United from Division One of the United Counties League. Two first half goals by Darrell Cox, the second coming moments before the interval put them in command and four goals in 12 minutes starting in the 69th completed the job. Anthony McDoald (2), Lawrence Constatnti and Dewayne Clarke were the second half marksmen. A sterner test awaits them in the next Round on 31st August when Step 4 Club AFC Hayes of the Calor ( i.e Southern) League Division One Central visit Coles Park.

11th Aug 2013

Aug 15, 2013, 12:44 pm

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20th August 2013

Aug 15, 2013, 12:41 pm

## HONOURS SHARED IN MIDWEEK THRILLER

Borough returned from their first Essex Senior League away game - at the superb facility of TAKELEY FC - with a point for which they have rarely been made to work harder. 2-2 was a just result to a "thrill - a - minute" match in which skilful play allied to unrelenting commitment kept the supporters of both teams on tenterhooks from start to finish. Fuller report under "Fixtures and Results" option

10th August 2013

Aug 11, 2013, 8:45 pm

## SATISFACTORY START IN NEW ENVIRONMENT

Borough garnered all three points from their first game as they started life in the Essex Senior League. Visitors Eton Manor were in their stride quicker than Borough whose defence had some shaky early moments and conceded the first goal of the game after 28 minutes. Borough then stepped up a gear and dominated proceedings for the rest of the half with Dean Fenton and Anthony McDonald putting them ahead before the interval with 31st and 41st minute strikes. The second half was goal-less but it was Borough who made most of the running and created the chances with their own goal never looking to be under serious threat.

28th July 2013

Jul 28, 2013, 1:23 pm

## LONDON SENIOR CUP DRAW ANNOUNCED

Borough could go all the way to the semi-final without leaving Coles Park

In the First Round (to be played by October 19th) they entertain Tooting & Mitcham United of Ryman League Division One South

Victory would bring either Thamesmead Town of the Ryman Premier Division or our ground-sharers Greenhouse London to Coles Park in the Second Round.

Further success would bring a Third Round (Quarter Final) Home tie against either Conference Premier Side Welling United or Erith Town (Southern Counties East League - formerly the Kent League) or Cray Valley (PM) also of that League or Ryman Division One North Barkingside.

Date for the Tooting & Mitcham United tie is Tuesday 15th October.

21st September 2013

Sep 21, 2013, 6:56 pm

## STILL ON THE ROAD TO WEMBLEY

Borough progressed through the 2nd Qualifying Round of the FA Carlsberg Vase fairly comfortably despite a loss of concentration when they were four up of which visitors Wellingborough Town naturally took full advantage to halve the deficit. But Borough regained their composure and after an outstanding 20 yard blast arrowed into the top corner by Dean Fenton to make it 5-2 the outcome was never really in doubt and having opened the scoring in the 4th minute he completed his hat-trick with a scrambled effort in the last minute making 6-2 the final score. The second goal had been scored by Darrell Cox after 7 minutes and he put Borough 4 up three minutes into the second half. To prove you can't keep a good full back tied to his defensive role Charlie Douse added a further goal to his brace of last week - again thanks to a corner but not with his head this time as he pounced on a loose ball after a prolonged goalmouth scramble.

First Round proper draw on Monday - so watch this space.

**SOMEWHAT DISAPPOINTING DRAW  
AS WE WILL MEET A FELLOW ESSEX  
SENIOR LEAGUE TEAM. WE WILL BE  
AWAY TO **TOWER HAMLETS** ON  
SATURDAY 19th OCTOBER**

18th September 2013

Sep 18, 2013, 10:50 am

## COMING TO THE BIG MATCH ?

On Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> September Borough have their "biggest" fixture for a long time with the trip to **WEALDSTONE** of the Ryman Isthmian League Premier Division in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Qualifying Round of the FA Cup. Wealdstone play in Ruislip at the stadium of the now disbanded Ruislip Manor FC.

Consideration is being given to arranging subsidised travel if there is sufficient supporter demand with departure from our ground around 12.30 to 1pm. So if interested in booking a place please e-mail [ClubSecretary@haringeyboroughfc.com](mailto:ClubSecretary@haringeyboroughfc.com) as soon as possible.

16th September 2013

Sep 16, 2013, 12:05 pm

## TOUGH DRAW IN 2nd QUALIFYING ROUND

Borough will visit a Ryman Isthmian League Premier Division Club in the 2nd Qualifying round of the FA Cup with Budweiser - namely **WEALDSTONE**. The venue will be familiar to Borough for their hosts now play in what was for so long the home of Spartan South Midlands Club Ruislip Manor in Grosvenor Vale. Wealdstone are currently second in the Premier Division table, unbeaten after 9 games with 5 wins and 4 draws and a goal difference of 23-8

14th September 2013

Sep 14, 2013, 7:28 pm

## DEFENDER DOUSE SHOWS THE WAY

Borough moved into the 2nd (of 4) Qualifying round of the FA Cup at Wembley FC with the famous stadium clearly in view. But the blushes of Borough's misfiring strike force were spared only thanks to right back Charles Douse who twice raced forward to power home headers from left wing corners by Anthony McDonald. The first came in the 2nd minute and the other in the 73rd but in between Borough squandered numerous fine chances - so much so that his second should have been an irrelevance by then instead of the much needed "insurance" it actually was. Draw for next round on Monday.

7th September 2013

Sep 7, 2013, 9:05 pm

## SAFELY PAST FIRST VASE HURDLE

Borough wasted many opportunities on their Vase visit to Southall (at the familiar venue of Hanwell Town's Reynolds Fields Stadium) but went through thanks to a 22nd minute opener from Anthony McDonald and an 88th minute clincher from Dean Fenton. A strong, fast and powerful Southall side pushed them all the way but had left their shooting boots behind and nothing spectacular was demanded of Borough 'keeper Erbil Bozkurt. In the next round (2nd Qualifying on 21st September) Borough will entertain Wellingborough Town of the United Counties League who won their tie today by the only goal at Harefield United.

3 September 2013

Sep 5, 2013, 5:13 pm

## MIDWEEK POINT FROM A GAME OF TWO PENALTIES

Borough returned from Clapton's "Old Spotted Dog" ground with a point after a difficult game on a pitch every bit as unsatisfactory as they had been led to expect. Both teams creditably started by trying to play an attractive passing game but by the end bash it long and high was the order of the day. Borough were on top in the first half but fell behind early in the second to a penalty awarded for handball when it seemed difficult for the defender to get out of the way of a fierce blast. A few minutes later Borough were awarded a somewhat soft penalty too – for shirt pulling as a free kick was lofted in, apparently. Cedric Lakole hit it just hard enough to prevent the keeper, who got a hand to it, from pushing it round the post.

31st August 2013

Aug 31, 2013, 7:37 pm

## ***BOROUGH WEMBLEY BOUND AFTER THEIR PRELIMINARY ROUND "FA CUP with BUDWEISER" SUCCESS***

Borough moved smoothly into a 2 goal lead - both scored by Anthony McDonald - in the first 25 minutes against their Step 4 visitors AFC Hayes before their rythm was badly disturbed by an eye injury to Dwayne Clarke who required hospital treatment. The visitors pulled one back moments before the inmterval and Borough had to re-shuffle still further on the resumption when Joseph O'Cearuill was forced off with a hamstring injury. Lewis Laws dropped back to replace him in the centre of the Borough defence which was under sustained pressure for the whole half as AFC Hayes asserted themselves. Borough survived a barrage of stoppage time corners and free kicks to keep the second half scoreless and set themselves up for a FGirst Qualifying round visit on 14th September to Wembley of the Combined Counties League who today visited and dismissed Ware of the Ryman League by an impressive 5-1 scoreline. \*\*\*\*\*  
\*\*\*\* *And to complete a fine weekend for the Club the Women got their first victory of the season at Sawbridgeworth Town's Crofters End ground (where the men will also be hoping for success later this season). Joselina Ferreira opened the scoring and Marianne Sheena doubled the lead before half time and netted the clincher before Sawbo pulled one back late on.*

27th AUGUST 2013

Aug 28, 2013, 11:25 pm

## **NORMAL SERVICE QUICKLY RESUMED**

After last Saturday's horror show Borough immediately made amends with a performance full of the desire and determination so sadly then absent. Borough's ground sharers, Greenhouse London, battled all the way but the greater experience in the Borough squad

proved to be the decisive factor as Borough chalked up a 3-0 win which lifted them to 3rd in the table

22nd October 2013

Oct 21, 2013, 2:18 pm

## WINNING RUN EXTENDED TO FOUR

Borough produced one of their best performances of the season to extend their winning sequence to 4 - following straight on from a 4 match losing sequence. The visitors, Southend Manor, never really recovered from going two down in the first ten minutes, and by half time the Borough tally had risen to 3 and by full time to 5 with no reply from Manor who were by no means the worst team Borough have played this season but were perhaps unlucky to find Borough in such sparkling form. Dewayne Clarke was the main architect of victory scoring twice himself after setting up both the opening goals. The three points lifted Borough to 8th in the table.

19th October 2013

Oct 19, 2013, 7:51 pm

## VASE SUCCESS AT MILE END STADIUM

Borough made their third visit of the season to the Mile End Stadium and after two disappointing results left comfortable 3-0 winners against their fellow Essex Senior League hosts, Tower Hamlets, to book their place in Mondays 2<sup>nd</sup> Round draw. After Dewayne Clarke had set up Anthony McDonald for an 8<sup>th</sup> minute close range knock home Borough should have had more to show by the interval than just Dean Fentons 38<sup>th</sup> minute finish from a tight angle. Early pressure after the interval might well have set up a potential home come back but for a sensational stop by Borough 'keeper Ashley Harris of a free header from just a few yards out as a corner came over from the right. After that the outcome never seemed to be in any real doubt but it was into stoppage time before McDonald added the

third also from a tight angle.....**AND**  
**INTERESTING** **2<sup>nd</sup> ROUND**  
**DRAW.....**

On 16<sup>th</sup> November we will visit a club we have certainly never met before - Thurlow Nunn Eastern Counties League Premier Division side **WALSHAM - LE - WILLOWS**. They currently have a League record of 5 wins 5 draws and 3 defeats with a goals record of For 25 Against 17. Walsham -le- Willows is about 25 miles North West of Ipswich.

12th October 2013

Oct 12, 2013, 7:31 pm

## A NARROW WIN AT BASILDON

Borough should have won more comfortably than by a 2-1 scoreline after dominating the second half in order to overturn a half time deficit which was itself not reflective of the run of play. A superbly struck free kick had put Basildon United ahead while Borough had made and wasted numerous chances. It was not until the 70<sup>th</sup> minute that Anthony McDonald drilled home the equaliser and it was from the penalty spot that Cedric Lakole netted the winner after a blatant and probably needless push as McDonald sent over a head high cross.

8th October 2013

Oct 9, 2013, 12:14 am

## BACK TO WINNING WAYS

A sparkling first half performance with two players signed earlier in the day making promising debuts gave Borough a two goal interval lead at Stansted's Hargrave Park Stadium - both courtesy of Anthony McDonald. Borough were disrupted by a series of injuries in the second half but fortunately Stephanos Georgiou had added a third goal early on. Stansted hit back immediately with a fine effort scored direct from a free kick but although Borough had only nine players on the pitch come stoppage time they held out fairly comfortably and never looked likely to be caught.

5th October 2013

Oct 5, 2013, 9:25 pm

## LOSING RUN STRETCHED TO FOUR

Borough enjoyed the majority of possession against London APSA at the Terence McMillan Stadium but the fast and skilful home team made better use of their opportunities and ran out winners by the odd goal in five. Borough paid dearly for defensive shortcomings in the first half which enabled APSA to lead 2-0 but they seemed to have recovered when Anthony McDonald took advantage of a home defence mix-up before the interval and Andre Odetola retrieved a loose ball following a corner eight minutes into the second half and smashed it low towards the near post for two deflections to put Borough level. But only for two minutes as the right flank of Borough's defence was outrun in a breakaway which resulted in the winner with Borough never able to severely test the home keeper despite their promising approach work.

1st October 2013

Oct 1, 2013, 11:56 pm

## DISAPPOINTING RETURN TO LEAGUE ACTION

After five consecutive knock out competition games Borough made a disappointing return to League action.

After giving Ryman Premier pacesetters Wealdstone a run for their money better might reasonably have been expected but a less than sparkling first half Borough performance which did provide a solitary goal lead at the interval was followed by a second period in which visitors FC Romania upped their contribution while lacklustre Borough's moved in the opposite direction. So it was no great surprise that the visitors left as 2-1 winners and deservedly so.

28th September 2013

Sep 28, 2013, 8:44 pm

## **CUP RUN OVER**

Borough's "FA Cup with Budweiser" exploits finally came to an end at the fourth hurdle at Wealdstone's Grosvenor Vale Stadium. The 4-1 scoreline was a little harsh on Borough for they matched their Ryman Premier pace-setters for much of the game in all aspects except the vital one of finishing. But with prolific scorer Scott McGleish, formerly of Leyton Orient and many other First and Second Division Football League Clubs, in "The Stones" line up that was hardly surprising. He it was who scored the first two goals either side of half time and Borough needed a penalty spot blast by Cedric Lakole to get on the score-sheet in the 89<sup>th</sup> minute which was never going to be anything more than a consolation. There was still time for Peter Dean to score his second of the match in the dying seconds of stoppage time.

25th September 2013

Sep 25, 2013, 11:41 pm

## ANOTHER DISMAL VISIT TO THE MILE END STADIUM

Borough have been beaten only twice this season and on both occasions it has been in the environs of the somewhat soul-less Mile End Stadium. The Women came a cropper here last Sunday too so it is hardly a matter for celebration that two more visits beckon before the end of the season especially as the first of them is as soon as 19th October when we will visit Tower Hamlets in the FA Vase. This evening it was the other tenant's, Sporting Bengal United, turn to inflict disappointment as Borough exited the Essex Senior League

Cup by 0-2 thus bringing to an end Borough's erstwhile unstoppable run of knock out competition victories at the 7th attempt. A much changed team was fielded to give many squad members who are not usually in the opening line-up a game but sadly no-one took the opportunity to stake a claim for a regular starting berth

**3rd December 2013**

*Dec 4, 2013, 12:23 am*

## AN UNCONVINCING PERFORMANCE BUT THREE MORE POINTS

Fortunately Borough were quicker out of the blocks and two up before the half hour mark although the second was an unfortunate own goal deflection of a shot going well wide. Anthony McDonald had taken maximum benefit of a good advantage decision by the referee to put Borough ahead five minutes earlier in the 22nd minute. If Borough thought it was all over their ground-sharers Greenhouse London had other ideas and enjoyed the better of the second half but were let down by their finishing, even missing an early penalty which would have made for a very interesting contest and their last minute goal would have been more than a mere consolation. Between the penalty miss and the consolation goal Borough had probably made fewer but better chances than Greenhouse but their finishing was way below par and over elaboration in front of goal contributed to the failure to find the net again.

**30th November 2013**

*Nov 30, 2013, 9:37 pm*

## PATCHED UP BOROUGH SIDE DOES ENOUGH

Borough were forced to field a much changed side including players who were carrying injuries or were unwell from the start, or returning after lay-offs but did enough to secure a 2-0 win against Ilford at their Cricklefield Stadium. Tyrone Cazaubon scored his first goal for the Club and Dean Fenton added the second in a 2 minute spell towards the end of the first half of a game with few memorable incidents

**26th November 2013**

*Nov 26, 2013, 11:55 pm*

## A MISERABLE EVENING FROM START TO FINISH

Nothing went right for Borough when they visited Sawbridgeworth Town; traffic problems caused delay which meant their somewhat makeshift team depleted by injuries and suspension had to make do with only rather a brief warm up period even though the referee agreed to a kick off 15 minutes later than scheduled. Sawbridgeworth tore into Borough right from the off, although the two goals they scored in the first 15 minutes owed much to Borough's sloppy defending. Thereafter it was mainly Borough enjoying



the lion's share of possession and had not Cedric Lakole blasted high over from the penalty spot a minute from the interval the outcome might have been different. Borough dominated the second half even though Dewayne Clarke was dismissed early on apparently for an attempted headbutt. But as Borough threw men forward late on spaces opened up for the home team to exploit and they made the game safe with a third goal just before the end of normal time. Anthony McDonald did race clear to pull one back for Borough in injury time but it was too little too late. An evening best forgotten then got even worse with some unsavoury scenes after the final whistle which undoubtedly means that a great deal more will be heard about it when the referees reports are processed

**19th November 2013**

*Nov 19, 2013, 11:57 pm*

## WINNING RUN OVER - BOROUGH OUT OF THE LONDON SENIOR CUP

It was no great surprise that Borough's seven match winning streak could not be further extended as the "knocks" picked up in last Saturday's battle royal necessitated the fielding of a much changed team including two debut-makers and with only two "survivors" from that previous game in the starting line-up. The 1-5 score line was a little harsh on Borough who enjoyed plenty of possession and often looked threatening but Ryman League Tooting & Mitcham United inevitably capitalised on Borough's occasional defensive lapses.

**16 November 2013**

*Nov 17, 2013, 1:32 am*

## BOROUGH IN SEVENTH HEAVEN AND IN THIRD ROUND OF THE VASE

Ninety minutes of relentless concentration saw Borough record their seventh consecutive win and the 4-1 victory at Thurlow Nunn Eastern Counties League side Walsham-le-Willows puts them into next Mondays draw for the next round of the FA Carlsberg Vase. The scoreline suggests a comfortable win but nothing could be further from the truth and it was not until deep into stoppage time that Borough netted their 4th goal. Even when three down Walsham never let up the pressure for a moment and when they pulled one back from being three down it set up a nervy last fifteen minutes for Borough as the home side naturally threw caution to the wind but left them open to dangerous breakaways and the stoppage time goal was not Borough's only chance in that period.

### **THIRD ROUND DRAW NOW MADE**

***BOROUGH WILL BE AT HOME TO BRANTHAM ATHLETIC IN THE THIRD ROUND ON SATURDAY 7th DECEMBER. Brantham are in the same League - Thurlow Nunn Eastern Counties League - as the team defeated in the***

***2nd round and are one place above Walsham-le-Willows in the Premier Division table.***

**8th November**

*Nov 8, 2013, 3:45 pm*

## **JOIN IN OUR "BIG DAY"**

On Saturday 16th November we are visiting Eastern Counties League Club WALSHAM-LE-WILLOWS in the Second Round of the FA Carlsberg Vase.

A coach has been hired for the trip - leaving Coles Park at **10.45am** sharp. To reserve a seat please contact John (01707 873187) or Tom (07956 284480)

**2nd November 2013**

*Nov 2, 2013, 9:29 pm*

## **6th WIN ON THE TROT LIFTS BOROUGH TO 6th**

Borough siezed control of the game right from the off when Sporting Bengal United visited Coles Park and should really have taken the opportunity to further improve their goal difference. But first half strikes from Stephen Obeng and Dewayne Clarke and Anthony McDonalds third midway through the second half were enough to secure a comfortable 3-0 win and lifted them one place up the table to 6th as they overtook Barking who are their next opponents.

**26th October 2013**

*Oct 26, 2013, 9:33 pm*

## **SUPER SUBS TURN IT ROUND**

Borough fell behind seconds before half time in their visit to fellow promotion hopefuls Enfield 1893 but a Lawrence Constanti winner in second half stoppage time was the icing on the cake after fellow substitute Christopher Benjamin's equalizer midway through the half. But any man of the match award would have to go to Dan "never knowingly outheaded" Gudgeon – a colossus at the heart of the Borough defence. The win lifted Borough to 7th in the table and if they won their games in hand on the Clubs above them they would be third.

**27th February 2014**

*Feb 27, 2014, 9:10 am*

## **WINNING RETURN TO ACTION**

After their weather induced two and a half months inactivity Borough showed no signs of ring-rustiness as they chalked up a comfortable 5-1 win on Bowers & Pitsea's fine pitch. Borough were three goals ahead at the interval and although the second half was a more even affair Borough had added two more before Bowers netted their consolation ten minutes from time.

23rd February 2014

Feb 23, 2014, 6:21 pm

## NO POINTS - BUT PLENTY TO CELEBRATE

Again it was the Womens team that fulfilled the Club's second fixture of 2014 with the men yet to kick a ball for real. With only 11 players and no recognised 'keeper among them the 6-3 defeat at Stevenage Borough was not altogether surprising and to make matters worse Marianne Sheena sustained an ankle injury in the closing seconds of the first half and could not continue. Borough were three goals down by then and it quickly became four after the restart and five shortly afterwards. But Borough heads never dropped and after Erika Vareckova had gone agonisingly close debut making Ana Duran Anca drove home a low shot from just inside the area. Although Stevenage quickly added their sixth Borough's ten players achieved a draw in the second half, as they had done in their previous fixture, with a long range lob and a well placed shot both from the speedy, persistent Joselina Ferreira. Midfielder Paulina Saviciute also made a promising midfield debut and both the new players left no doubt that they will not easily be dislodged from future starting line ups.

2nd February 2014

Feb 3, 2014, 12:01 am

## AT LAST - SOME ACTION

It fell to the Women to complete the Club's first fixture of 2014. But it needed a round trip of 250 miles to play Lowestoft Town on a school pitch in Gorleston - on - Sea to get it on. (its not just Coles Park thats under the weathers cosh - even the Ryman Premier League pitch at Crown Meadow where it should have been played was unfit !). But no complaints it was a fine surface. Visiting the League leaders after 2 months inactivity was not the ideal way to resume the programme so the 5-2 defeat was hardly a surprise but after falling two behind, Marianne Sheena rekindled hope with a fine shot before poor marking enabled the home side to knock in three more without being made to work too hard for them before Natalie Silva-Knight reduced the arrears with the last kick of the first half. That was the end of the scoring and Borough gave a good account of themselves in the second half in which the home side might have been caused some concern had what looked like a strightforward penalty decision been givem when Erika Vareckova was upended as she close in. But in the closing stages it was Borough 'keeper Angelika Kopec who caught the eye with a string of excellent saves to keep the score down

29th January 2014

Jan 29, 2014, 2:06 pm

## **VERY UNHAPPY NEWS**

Sadly, one of our most devoted and long term supporters

### **JOHN PATMAN**

passed away earlier this month. John suffered from deteriorating health and restricted mobility for many years but his determination to see as many games as possible at Coles Park contributed greatly to the local Minicab firms profits; and when he couldn't make it he was invariably on the phone – often coinciding his calls with the referees full time whistle – to learn how we had fared. The Stand will seem an emptier place without his familiar presence in the centre of the front row. Our sympathy is extended to all his family and friends and his next of kin has advised us he would like to present the Club with a trophy named after John to be awarded annually to our player of the season. The Club Chairman and Secretary attended John's cremation on Monday 10<sup>th</sup> February (3.40pm) at the South Essex Crematorium, Ockenden Road, Upminster, RM14 2UY

18th Jan 2014

Jan 18, 2014, 1:31 pm

## **ESSEX SENIOR LEAGUE FIXTURES TO END OF SEASON ANNOUNCED**

All fixtures are now scheduled right through to the end of the season and can be seen via the "Fixtures & Results" option.

Fixtures for all teams in the League can be accessed via the "Football Mitoo" link

14th December 2013

Dec 14, 2013, 8:02 pm

## **GOAL-LESS STALEMATE DESPITE SECOND HALF IMPROVEMENT**

After a cagey and largely uneventful first half Borough dominated throughout after the interval. Often desperate last ditch interventions and one outstanding save denied them a goal and for all their late pressure and increasing urgency they could not find a way through the FC Romania defence even after the hosts had been reduced to ten men by a double yellow card. With the opportunities created it has to be seen as two points dropped rather than one won

8th December 2013

Dec 8, 2013, 10:47 pm

# WOMEN END LOSING STREAK

The Women's team picked up a precious and well deserved point in a 2-2 draw with Barking at Coles Park, twice coming from behind. Stephanie Cooper netted the equalisers in each half but it was a solid and energetic performance from the whole squad which brought their six match losing and five goal-less runs to an end.

7th December 2013

Dec 8, 2013, 11:05 am

# VASE HOPES SMASHED

Borough's Wembley appearance dream was well on track after 65 minutes of their Third Round Vase tie at home to Brantham Athletic as, somewhat against the overall run of play, they were two up through headers by Anthony McDonald and Michael Deane. When awarded a penalty five minutes later it looked like Brantham would soon be on their way back to Suffolk but it was wasted and Borough paid dearly for that as the revitalized visitors forced their way back with two close range finishes and an extra time winner. Clearly Borough virtually threw the match away but ultimately the better team progressed

20th March 2014

Mar 20, 2014, 11:39 pm

# *BOROUGH COMPLETE MID-WEEK* *"DOUBLE"*

Borough secured their second win of the week against the same opponents this time at Barking's Mayesbrook Park ground. As on Tuesday, Borough took a two goal lead netting in the 19th and 59th minutes but after Barking pulled one back a nervy last twenty five minutes ensued.

18th March 2014

Mar 19, 2014, 12:12 am

# *BOROUGH LEAVE IT LATE*

Just when it seemed Borough might record their second goal-less stalemate in four days all came good in the last quarter of an entertaining home match with Barking. But despite much attractive approachwork both the goals in the 2-0 win were down to Barking's defensive errors; Walid Matata was quick to take advantage of a mix-up between 'keeper and defenders and added the second from the spot following a handball. Earlier Borough had been frustrated by some fine saves from their former goalkeeper Damos Horvath and goal line clearances.

15th March 2014

Mar 16, 2014, 12:41 am

## UNBEATEN RUN STRETCHED TO FIVE - BUT 2 POINTS LOST

Borough somehow contrived to return from Southend Manor without scoring in a game they totally dominated, especially in the second half, while their opponents never managed to test Borough 'keeper Austin Byfield throughout. In truth Borough almost certainly scored at least one goal, possibly two, as first half shots crashed against the underside of the bar but were deemed not to have totally crossed the line when they bounced down. The bar again caused further frustration in the second half when a free kick beat the keeper. Corner followed corner and it seemed a goal must come but dogged defending saw Manor hold on to a point significantly aided by Borough's lacklustre finishing and the lack of variety or inspiration in their approach play.

13th March 2014

Mar 14, 2014, 1:04 am

## HAT TRICK FOR NEW STRIKER

Walid Matata, signed earlier in the week having previously been with Ryman League Club Erith & Belvedere, announced his arrival with a hat-trick in Borough's 4-1 home win over Bowers & Pitsea. One penalty, one header, one precise shot. Borough were three ahead by the interval and added their fourth in a more even second half in which they were subjected to an aerial bombardment of corners, free kicks and long throws but it was a flowing along the ground move which brought the visitors their consolation. The win lifted Borough to 5th in the table leaving them some 16 points behind the joint leaders - both yet to visit Coles Park - but with 4 games in hand.

11th March 2014

Mar 12, 2014, 1:34 am

## WINNING RUN CONTINUES

Borough won their 3rd game in 7 days against visiting Hullbridge Sports after getting off to a flying start with Steve Obeng's fierce drive after 4 minutes. After an even first half Daniel Aristidou met a fine cross by Anthony McDonald at the far post to power the ball back across the keeper to double the lead a few moments before the interval. Ten minutes into the second half saw the win effectively sealed by another rocket drive from Obeng and although the visitors pulled one back five minutes from time Borough's victory never looked seriously threatened.

8th March 2014

Mar 8, 2014, 10:47 pm

## BOROUGH JUST EDGE IT

The decision to cede ground advantage and play the home game at Ilford's ground was just about vindicated by a late winner after a two goal lead had been carelessly thrown away. The sparkle which had seen last Wednesdays opponents swept aside was missing.

5th March 2014

Mar 6, 2014, 12:36 am

## HIGHEST SCORE OF THE SEASON

Midweek fixtures seem to suit Borough as they brought their tally to 12 from the last two such games as they cruised to a 7-0 win at the Mile End Stadium against Sporting Bengal United. Borough shrugged off the handicap of having a player red-carded after 15 minutes although fortunately they were two goals to the good by then. The home side were reduced to 10 men as well when the goalkeeper was sent off fifteen minutes from the end and his replacement picked from the net the resultant penalty which brought the total to six. A home player picked up a second yellow card two minutes from time and Borough concluded the scoring with their seventh in the last minute.

1st March 2014

Mar 2, 2014, 12:01 am

## NARROW DEFEAT IN GAME DECIDED BY SET PIECES

A Borough penalty slotted home by Dean Fenton eight minutes from time set up a nervy finish for their table topping hosts Great Wakering Rovers whose two goals were also the result of set pieces. Late in the first half a header was glanced home when a free kick was driven over and early in the second half a corner was headed out only for it to be driven into the top corner with a powerful blast from the edge of the penalty box.

8th April 2014

Apr 9, 2014, 12:10 am

## CONVINCING BOROUGH WIN OVER LEAGUE LEADERS

Although visiting Great Wakering Rovers took an early lead Borough turned in their best performance of the season and, always looking the more likely winners, came back to win 4-2. If there was any shortcoming in Borough's display it was in the finishing for with so many clear opportunities being created and spurned the visitors should have left on the end of an embarrassing scoreline instead of a respectable one, although it was the first time they have conceded 4 in a match this season. The main beneficiary of Borough's endeavours was Enfield (1893) who will be Champions by one point if they win all their last seven games even if Great Wakering win all of their last 4. Borough would need to win all their remaining 7 games and hope that Wakering failed to win one of theirs. Enfield and Borough cannot both win all their remaining games as they meet at Coles Park next Tuesday.

5th April 2014

Apr 5, 2014, 8:41 pm

## UNBEATEN RUN EXTENDED TO TWELVE

Borough completed the double over bottom club London Bari, beating them for the second time in three days at Clapton's "Old Spotted Dog" ground. A goal in each half settled an undistinguished match. It is the upcoming 13th game against League leaders Great Wakering Rovers at Coles Park next Tuesday which will have a huge bearing on the end of season outcome

3rd April 2014

Apr 4, 2014, 12:01 am

## COMFORTABLE WIN AFTER SLOW START

A four goal flurry in the last 10 minutes of the first half at the end of which Borough were 3-1 ahead settled what had previously been an even contest. Once Borough stepped up a gear having realised that their table propping visitors London Bari were not just there to make up the numbers there only ever looked like being one winner. Borough wasted several good opportunities to improve their goal difference and it was not until five minutes from the end that they scored the only goal of the second half.

1st April 2014

Apr 1, 2014, 11:29 pm

## BOROUGH LEAVE IT NOT QUITE SO LATE

Another 2-0 win against a strong visiting Sawbridgeworth Town side followed a pattern very similar to the previous win by the same score last Saturday. Again, Borough made but wasted good chances in the first half with the same pattern continuing after the interval until the 67th minute when Daniel Arisitidou blasted home from 15 yards. And it was another late goal, this time from Anthony McDonald that sealed it in the 88th minute. The Borough back four were in commanding form and for all their powerful approach play the visitors never managed to give 'keeper Ashley Harris much chance to shine. The euphoria at another win was somewhat deflated by news of Great Wakering Rovers comeback from behind victory at Takeley with a 93rd minute winner which means that their visit to Coles Park next Tuesday will not be as crucial as would have been the case had they dropped points and victory would still leave our top-spot ambitions reliant on other Clubs "doing us a favour"

29th March 2014

Mar 29, 2014, 8:17 pm



## **BOROUGH LEAVE IT LATE**

Just when a frustrating afternoon looked to be on the cards as Borough created but wasted chance after chance against the stubborn defending of visitors Londo APSA, Darrel Cox scrambled home an 83rd minute opportunity and substitute Ellis Remy opened his account for the club with an accurate drive deep into stoppage time. APSA did not test Borough keeper Austin Byfield until midway through the second half when he juts managed to finger tip a long range rocket supwards onto the bar and the Borough goal never looked to be in any real danger thereafter.

27th March 2014

Mar 28, 2014, 12:28 am

## **SERIOUS INJURY CAUSES ABANDONMENT**

In the 38th minute of Borough's home game with Stansted a mistimed tackle by visiting striker Phil Siggins, as he tried to prevent a Borough player clearing upfield, sadly resulted in him breaking a leg. Referee Ray Wells handled a difficult situation tactfully but, appallingly, with an ambulance not having arrived well after an hour of being called for despite several chase-ups the decision to abandon the game was effectively made for him. Prior to the injury an entertaining game was goal-less.

Mar 25, 2014, 1:08 am

## **THREE GOALS IN THREE MINUTES LEAD TO A COMFORTABLE WIN**

After an even opening spell at Hullbridge Sports in which neither 'keeper was really tested Borough suddenly cut loose after 25 minutes with three goals in as many minutes. Ashley Fashanu opened the scoring quickly followed by further strikes from Daniel Aristidou and Walid Matata. Borough's lead never looked to be in serious danger and Darrell Cox added the fourth goal 5 minutes into the second half and the fifth ten minutes from time. Hullbridges consolation game directly from a 25 yard free kick two minutes from time.

21st March 2014

Mar 21, 2014, 11:39 pm

# **BOROUGH SIGN INTERNATIONAL STRIKER**

ELLIS REMY an international striker with Montserrat (whose National team was for many years managed by ex Haringey Borough Manager Kenny Dyer) has signed for the Club. Ellis's last Club was Hitchin Town and he has previously played at Conference level with Eastbourne Borough. His other Clubs have included Brentford, Bishops Stortford, Enfield Town, Welling United and Folkestone Invicta

Other recent signings with experience at higher level include

NEIL JOHNSTON a midfielder and former Captain of Barnet Youth team whose last Club was Enfield Town

EHIBHANRE "EHIS" IZOKUN a defender who has joined from North Greenford United of the Calor (Southern) League and numbers Bromley among his previous Clubs,

LEE ALLEN a striker who was with us some years ago rejoined from Enfield Town and has already made several appearances

LYNVALL DUNCAN a defender with Canvey Island last season

WALID MATATA a striker from Erith & Belvedere having previously been with a number of Clubs including Enfield Town has already found the net - in open play and twice from the spot

WE HOPE ALL WILL HAVE LONG AND SUCCESSFUL STAYS WITH US

24th April 2014

Apr 24, 2014, 10:54 pm

## **MORE OF THE SAME**

The game against visiting Stansted was almost a carbon copy of the game played two days earlier as Borough had the game won by half time and then wasted numerous chances to improve their goal difference in the second half. Borough's fifth and final goal a few minutes from the interval was their 100th League goal of the season. Darrell Cox and Dean Fenton took it in turns to score in the 9th, 18th, 23rd, 25th and 39th minutes. The win means that the title will be decided on Saturday with Great Wakering

Rovers only needing to win at Basildon United to clinch the title which would otherwise go to Borough if they beat Takeley, unless Enfield (1893) also won and by a cricket score

**22nd April 2014**

*Apr 22, 2014, 11:25 pm*

## SATISFACTORY FIRST HALF SECURES 18th GAME UNBEATEN

It was as well that Borough were 3 up by the interval against visiting Tower Hamlets as Borough's performance after the interval fell away badly with some incredible wasting of chances when it seemed easier to score. Credit to the visitors for raising their game to create a more even second half although they never posed any serious threat to Borough's lead

**20th April 2014**

*Apr 21, 2014, 9:58 am*

## ANOTHER POINT AGAINST THE ODDS

For the second week running Borough Women played throughout with only ten players and battled back to secure a precious point which with four game still to play may yet enable them to escape what looked like certain relegation for so long. Against a strong wind at Leighton United they went two down before Stephanie Cooper put them back in the game and although a third goal was conceded very early in the second half Borough made good use of their wind advantage and stormed back to equalise with fine finishes by Joselina Ferreira and Daria Kaminska.

**19th April 2014**

*Apr 19, 2014, 6:58 pm*

## SWEET SEVENTEEN UNBEATEN - THREE TO GO

Borough cruised to a comfortable 4-0 win against Eton Manor at Capershotts with their firepower up front being too much for the home defence. Some glorious chances went begging but two a-piece from Anthony McDonald and Dean Fenton kept Borough in second place. Three home games in the space of the next seven days will guarantee Borough second place if all are won, barring an astonishing turn round in goal difference; first place would depend on Great Wakering Rovers not winning their final game at basildon United next Saturday.

**15th April 2014**

*Apr 15, 2014, 11:03 pm*

## UNBEATEN RUN NOW SIXTEEN

A tough second v third local derby with near neighbours Enfield (1893) ended in Boroughs favour with a goal in the closing stages of each half. The first was an own goal created by an Anthony McDonald free kick and the second a close range tap in set up by Daniel Aristidou for Dean Fenton. The result sets up Great Wakering Rovers as certain Champions if they win their last two games. If Borough won their last four and Enfield won their last five the runners up spot would then be decided on goal difference - probably in Borough's favour. Borough are now 16 games unbeaten and 15 of them won with the last 11 all being victories.

13th April 2014

Apr 13, 2014, 9:59 pm

## BOROUGH WOMEN END LOSING RUN

After a run of 4 successive defeats Borough deserved more than the draw they secured against mid-table visitors Leighton United and but for a "player of the match" goalkeeping performance, the framework and some rather wayward finishing of their own they would have got all three points. This despite playing with only 10 throughout and starting with 9 for the first quarter of an hour until the goalkeeper arrived. A goal down at the interval they fought back in determined fashion and were rewarded with their equaliser mid way through the second half when Paulina Saviciute finally squeezed the ball just inside the foot of the 'keepers left hand post in a scramble created by a corner. After that Borough always looked the more likely winners but the ball just would not run kindly for them at crucial moments.

12th April 2014

Apr 12, 2014, 8:53 pm

## WEARY BOROUGH STAGE SECOND HALF COMEBACK

Borough's 3 games a week schedule has inevitably led to tiredness and excessive injury. Several players were carrying injuries even before the kick off and Darrell Cox and Ashley Fasha had to be withdrawn before half time with Fashan needing a hospital visit. Clapton secured the lead just before the interval but Borough summoned up the energy for a better second half performance and took the points courtesy of two identical goals - both bullet headers at the far post from crosses before Ellis Remy joined the "unable to continue" contingent. With the top four teams in the League all winning there is no change at the top making the Tuesday evening visit of Enfield (1893) even more crucial.

10th April 2014

Apr 10, 2014, 11:33 pm

## EASY WIN LIFTS BOROUGH TO SECOND PLACE

Borough extended their unbeaten run to 14 with a convincing win in which visitors Basildon United never threatened after Walid Matata put Borough ahead with two goals in the first 20 minutes. He went on to complete his hat-trick from the penalty spot early in the second half. Rakim Richards, Richard Worrell and Anthony McDonald contributed the others in the 6-0 win. The victory moved Borough from 4th to 2nd place being one of 3 teams with 73 points but with far and away the best goal difference.

30th June 2014

Jun 30, 2014, 2:29 pm

## PRE-SEASON FIXTURE SCHEDULE COMPLETED

*note changes in red*

Borough will be playing 6, hopefully 7, pre-season matches, all at Coles Park, and all bar one against Step 4 opponents. The games will kick off at 3pm on Saturdays and 7.45pm on Tuesdays and all bar one of the opponents play in the Isthmian (Ryman) League or the Southern (Calor) League and are:-

Saturday 12 July v ROYSTON TOWN (Calor Division One Central)

Tuesday 15 July v WINGATE & FINCHLEY (Ryman Premier Division)

Saturday 19 July v AFC HAYES (Calor Division One Central)

Tuesday 22 July v HARLOW TOWN (Ryman Division One North)

Saturday 26 July v **FFC HARINGEY (Middlesex County League) not Leighton Town as previously shown**

Tuesday 29 July v REDBRIDGE (Ryman Division One North)

Saturday 2 August - **BEACONSFIELD SYCOB have pulled out of the fixture previously scheduled for this date. Alternative opponents are being sought**

First competitive fixture - details as yet unknown - will be on 9th August

18 June 2014

Jun 18, 2014, 3:12 pm

# NEW SEASON TRAINING TO BEGIN ON 1st JULY

Pre-season training will take place on the Perth Road Rugby Field in White Hart Lane (immediately opposite the White Hart Lane Community Centre - postcode N22 5QW - and a short walk from the bus stop on route W3 at the junction of Perth Road and White Hart Lane)

It will be from 7.30 to 9pm on the following dates (others may be added later)

TUESDAYS JULY 1st 8th and 15th

THURSDAYS JULY 3rd 10th 17th 24th 31st      AUGUST 7th 14th.

League matches will start on Saturday 9th August

## TRIALLISTS

Please note that anyone seeking a trial with the Club should NOT turn up unannounced at any of these sessions. Contact should first be made with our coach - DAVID CUMBERBATCH - phone 07904 830771 e-mail [haringeyborofc@mail.com](mailto:haringeyborofc@mail.com)

Please bear in mind that we field only one team which plays at Step 5 of the National Game Pyramid.

13th May 2014

May 14, 2014, 12:30 am

## *A BRIDGE TOO FAR*

Boroughs unbeaten run had to end sometime but ideally not in a Cup Final as was the case when at the 24th hurdle they went down to Hullbridge Sports by the only goal of the game in the Gordon Brasted Trophy Final at Burnham Ramblers Leslie Field Stadium, having turned in a performance way below the standard of which they are capable. Already depleted by injuries further disruption was caused by travel difficulties with two intended starters not even arriving before the kick off time which had already been put back by 20 minutes. A fast, young and determined Hullbridge side made few chances but were gifted one midway through the first half by a dreadful series of defensive blunders and defended their lead stubbornly against the later Borough pressure which failed to produce any clear cut chances.

.....meanwhile at Coles Park Borough Women were giving themselves a fighting chance of avoiding relegation, which had seemed certain until their late season revival, with a 6-1 win over visitors Leverstock Green.

6th May 2014

May 6, 2014, 11:32 pm

## *SAFELY INTO THE FINAL*

A somewhat jaded Borough safely negotiated the semi-final hurdle of the Gordon Brasted Memorial Trophy with a 4-2 win over London APSA at Coles Park which extended their unbeaten run to 23 games. The Final will be played on Tuesday 13th May at the Leslie Field Stadium of Burnham Ramblers FC against Hullbridge Sports who beat Sawbridgeworth Town 2-0 in the other semi-final. In fact Borough were only spared the unwanted exertion of extra time through second half goalkeeping mistakes as the visitors put up a spirited display which, with more composure in their finishing, could well have seen them go through. Borough led at half time through Stephen Obeng's 10th minute goal but APSA's perseverance brought them a second half equaliser although parity lasted onl six minutes until Joe O'Cearuill's cross deceived the keepr and floated into the far top corner. APSA battled back and forced home a 76th minute equaliser only for Richard Worrell to head Borough back in front from point blank range a minute later. Four minutes later the 'keeper completely misjudged what looked like a simple collection of Lee Allen's long shot and Borough's lead was never seriously threatened again.

3rd May 2014

May 3, 2014, 9:00 pm

## *SEMI FINAL BERTH SECURED*

A week ago Borough comfortably defeated Takeley in their final League game and although meeting the same opponents in the Quarter Final of the Gordon Brasted Trophy this win was distinctly uncomfortable although it extended their unbeaten run to 22 games with the last 17 all won. And it took a penalty to end Borough's run of six clean sheets. Fortunately Borough were two up by that time thanks to a 4th minute strike by top scorer Anthony McDonald and a hooked finish by Charles Douse in the 21st minute. But the loss of McDonald to a clumsy challenge shortly afterwards, which has probably ended his season, unsettled Borough and in the second half their understandable tiredness took its toll and a livelier Takeley looked quite likely to turn the game round and would have done so but for some fine goalkeeping by Austin Byfield. Borough could have eased their nerves but missed some clear cut opportunities until Richard Worrell angled a precise header back across goal into the far top corner to settle matters ten minutes from time. The semi-final opponents will be London APSA nand victory would pit Borough against Hullbridge Sports or Sawbridgeworth Town in the final at Burnham Ramblers ground on Tuesday 13th.

29th April 2014

Apr 29, 2014, 11:50 pm

## *ANOTHER SECOND HALF GOAL FEAST.....*

.....coupled with a sixth successive clean sheet saw Borough sweep into the Quarter Finals of the Gordon Brasted Memorial Trophy at the expense of League Champions Great Wakering Rovers. After an even first half in which few clear cut chances were made Darrell Cox made an early breakthrough after the interval with Rakim Richards adding the second before a brace by Dean Fenton, with the final goal coming in the 88th minute, wrapped up the 4-0 win. Takeley will visit Coles Park on Saturday 3rd May in the quarter final and the winner will play at home to London APSA in the semi-final

**26th April 2014**

*Apr 26, 2014, 8:07 pm*

## ***SECOND HALF GOALS SECURE RUNNERS UP SPOT***

After a goal-less first half in which Borough missed some fine chances Darrell Cox scored a hat-trick for the second consecutive match to bag the points needed to defeat visitors Takeley and pip Enfield (1893) for 2nd place. Had Great Wakering Rovers not also won at Basildon United Borough would have been champions but missed out by one point despite winning their last 15 games and recording their 5th consecutive clean sheet.

**25th April 2014**

*Apr 25, 2014, 12:00 am*

## ***LEAGUE CUP FINAL TO BE PLAYED AT COLES PARK***

The Essex Senior League Cup Final will be played at Coles Park on Bank Holiday Monday - May 5th - with a 7.30pm kick off. Competing teams will be Sporting Bengal United and Great Wakering Rovers.

**3rd Sept 2014**

*Sep 3, 2014, 12:17 pm*

## ***FREE ENTRY ON NON-LEAGUE DAY***

It being Non-League Day entry to our Home match against NEWHAM at Coles Park on Saturday 6th September will be FREE

**31st August 2014**

*Sep 2, 2014, 9:57 pm*

## ***BOROUGH'S CLEAN SHEET WEEKEND***

Both Borough teams kept their first clean sheets of the season.

On Saturday the Men won comfortably at Waltham Forest with first half goals by Walid Matata (making him the League's leading scorer



with 8 goals) and Arian Maleknia. Dean Fenton added a late third. But it was only two astonishing Forest miscues of gilt edged chances that preserved the clean sheet in a match where the losers had at least as much possession but wasted their chances as they launched a series of high crosses to the far post which 'keeper Ashley Harris easily collected with little serious challenge..

On Sunday the Women entertained Stevenage and Marianne Sheena scored the only goal of the match early on with a lofted effort from near the corner flag which sailed over the 'keepers head. After that it was dogged defending which preserved the clean sheet as the visitors dominated the remainder of the match only to be repeatedly thwarted right into stoppage time by a series of astonishing close range saves by 'keeper Natalie Silva-Knight who deservedly won the player of the match award.

23rd August 2014

Aug 23, 2014, 6:18 pm

## **BOROUGH'S RECORD BREAKING DAY**

3G pitches must be to Borough's liking for playing on the superb Harlow Arena surface they:-

1) Reached double figures for the first time since the mid 1970s merger of Wood Green Town and Edmonton to become HARINGEY BOROUGH as Enfield (1893) were despatched by a 10-1 scoreline

2) Set a new Essex Senior League record of 18 Consecutive League wins

3) Equalled the League individual scoring record with WALID MATATA's seven - and he did it in only 70 minutes as he was substituted shortly after scoring the seventh

.....and moved to the top of the table with maximum points from 3 games, thanks to a one better goal difference than FC Romania.

19th July 2014

Aug 21, 2014, 12:20 am

## **SUCCESSFUL LEAGUE START BUT CUP DISAPPOINTMENT**

Borough's campaign got under way with 4 home matches. The first 2 were League encounters which were won comfortably enough by 5-1 and 2-1 against Clapton and London Bari on Saturday 9th August and the following Tuesday respectively.

But the performance on Saturday 16th against Hertford Town was massively disappointing as Borough exited the FA Cup at the first hurdle. Hertford scored within seconds of the kick off and went on to become deserved 3-0 winners as Borough turned in a performance well below par.

Some consolation was secured on Tuesday 19th in the First Round of the Gordon Brasted Memorial Trophy as visiting Ilford were despatched by 2-1 although having looked comfortable Borough had to endure a nervy last ten minutes after conceding the softest of goals.

**30th July 2014**

*Jul 30, 2014, 4:26 pm*

## LONDON SENIOR CUP DRAW ANNOUNCED

In the first round Borough will be travelling to ERITH TOWN - provisionally on Wednesday 29th October. They are in the Southern Counties League (formerly the Kent League) and play in Eltham

Success would bring a home tie with either Tooting & Mitcham United or Croydon

Victory in that game would see Borough travelling again to the survivor from Welling United, Cockfosters, Erith & Belvedere and Fisher

The full draw can be seen on the London FA website via our "Links" option

**23rd July 2014**

*Jul 23, 2014, 1:21 am*

## LEAGUE FIXTURES ANNOUNCED

The League Fixtures for the whole season have now been published and are shown on the "Fixtures & Results" page although at least one match will have to be re-scheduled.

We begin with 2 Home games - against CLAPTON on Saturday August 9th and LONDON BARI on Tuesday 12th

**17th July 2014**

*Jul 17, 2014, 7:31 pm*

## PRE-SEASON FRIENDLY CHANGED

The match with BEACONSFIELD SYCOB scheduled for Saturday 2nd August will not take place. It is hoped that alternative opponents will be found and further updates will be

issued. 21/7/14 - PLEASED TO SAY ALTERNATIVE OPPONENTS HAVE BEEN FOUND. THE VISITORS WILL BE **BRIMSDOWN FC**

4th July 2014

Jul 4, 2014, 12:59 pm

## CUP DRAWS ANNOUNCED

The Draws for the early rounds of the FA CUP have been published and Borough could make the 2<sup>nd</sup> Qualifying Round without leaving Coles Park. On the 16<sup>th</sup> August HERTFORD TOWN (Spartan South Midlands League Premier Division) will visit in the Extra Preliminary Round. Success in that game would bring GREAT WAKERING ROVERS (Ryman League Division One North) for the Preliminary Round Tie on 30<sup>th</sup> August and victory in that game would lead to a visit from CANVEY ISLAND (Ryman League Premier Division) in the 1<sup>st</sup> Qualifying Round on 13<sup>th</sup> September

In the FA VASE our exploits last season have earned us exemption from the qualifying rounds.

In the ESSEX SENIOR LEAGUE CUP the Final could be reached without leaving Coles Park. After a First Round bye ILFORD will be the Second Round visitors and success would bring a Quarter Final game at home to TAKELEY or STANSTED and victory in that would result in a home Semi Final against the survivor from FC ROMANIA, BASILDON UNITED, ENFIELD 1893, NEWHAM, BOWERS & PITSEA and HULLBRIDGE SPORTS

In the League's supplementary Competition THE GORDON BRASTED MEMORIAL TROPHY the First round again brings ILFORD to Coles Park and the victors then visit HULLBRIDGE SPORTS in the Second Round. Victory there would result in a home Quarter Final tie against TOWER HAMLETS or SAWBRIDGEWORTH TOWN with the victors of that game visiting the survivor from CLAPTON, LONDON BARI, ENFIELD 1893, SOUTHEND MANOR or STANSTED in the Semi Final.

The only other knock-out competition Borough have entered is the LONDON SENIOR CUP for which the draw has not yet been made.

6th October 2014

Sep 30, 2014, 1:11 am

## BOROUGH AT HOME IN FA VASE

Borough were exempted from the qualifying rounds of this seasons FA Vase and have been drawn at home to Biggleswade United (Spartan South Midlands League Premier Division currently 17th ) or Northampton Spencer (United Counties League Division One currently 4th). The teams drew 2-2 at Biggleswade last Saturday and will replay at Northampton on 7th October. **Opponents will be Northampton Spencer who won the replay 1-0**

27th September 2014

Sep 27, 2014, 9:13 pm

## *BOROUGH DO ENOUGH TO COLLECT THE POINTS*

Borough's game with their ground sharers, Greenhouse London, never reached great heights and neither defence will not feel satisfied with the early first half goals they gifted to their opponents with Borough's 13th minute lead lasting only 4 minutes. Borough did improve somewhat after the interval but only regained the lead on the hour mark thanks to a "wild slash" clearance attempt by a defender which sailed into his own net. Even after Greenhouse were reduced to ten men through a double yellow carding nervy Borough never really made their advantage tell but Darrell Cox finally made the game safe with a clinical low cross shot five minutes from time.

23rd September 2014

Sep 23, 2014, 11:06 pm

## NORMAL SERVICE RESUMED

BOROUGH showed no hangover from the disappointing outcome of last Saturdays game and quickly returned to winning ways with a comprehensive 5-1 win over visiting Basildon United. Even the dismissal which many thought rather harsh of Dean Fenton after 20 minutes or so failed to upset their domination. Already 2-1 up thanks to a 3rd minute Walid Matata penalty and a fine Darrell Cox cross shot a few minutes later they went on to add three more without reply through Rakim Richards and Cox who completed his hat-trick from the penalty spot with the only goal of the second half.

20th September 2014

Sep 20, 2014, 7:13 pm

## *FINALLY, ITS OVER*

Boroughs victorious run of League games ended at the 22nd hurdle when FC Romania - also unbeaten in the League this season - left Coles Park having won by Sorin Buciu's close range 21st minute effort. Borough wasted some golden opportunities late on to draw level or even win after having the better of the second half.

**17th September 2014**

*Sep 18, 2014, 12:46 am*

## **21st WIN SECURED BY DAN ARISTIDOU SUPER SHOW**

Borough recorded their 21st consecutive League win to which Dan Aristidou made a massive contribution; he fired over a perfectly flighted corner for Rakim Richards to power home his header early in the game and after Ilford had equalised in the first half and Darrell Cox had restored Boroughs lead early in the second he made the points virtually safe with two goals of his own. The first being a spectacular effort from way out on the right hand touchline and about 10 yards inside the Ilford half when he spotted the 'keeper off his line and lofted the ball into the empty net. Ilford grabbed a late consolation to leave Borough 4-2 winners.

**8th September 2014**

*Sep 8, 2014, 11:12 am*

## **FRIENDLY MATCH ARRANGED FOR 11th SEPTEMBER**

As Borough have no match on Saturday 13th a Friendly game has been arranged for this coming THURSDAY - 11th September - at Coles Park 7.45pm.

Visitors will be WINGATE & FINCHLEY's UNDER 21 TEAM

There will be NO CHARGE for admission

**6th September 2014**

*Sep 6, 2014, 8:18 pm*

## **20 NOT OUT AND BACK TO THE SUMMIT**

Walid Matata added another 2 goals (8 minutes and a 45<sup>th</sup> minute penalty) to bring his seasons tally to 10 and keep his place as the Leagues leading scorer. Rakim Richard (15 minutes), Anthony McDonald (59) and Darrell Cox (79) also found the net as Borough's 5-0 win over visiting Newham put them back on top of the League, unbeaten and 3 points ahead of also unbeaten FC Romania who would need to win by a 5 goal margin

next Saturday when Borough are without a game to knock Borough off their perch.

And the free entry experiment was clearly a success as the attendance reached the rarely achieved level of 100

15th November 2015

Nov 15, 2014, 7:53 pm

## **ONE BETTER THIS WEEK**

Borough increased on last weeks goal tally with a 6-2 win over visiting Southend Manor. A comfortable win in the end but it was not until Borough's fourth goal that the outcome began to look assured as Manor responded determinedly following every setback - firstly just two minutes after Anthony McDonald had nodded Borough ahead in the 4th minute as he followed up his shot which crashed back off the bar. Aaron Baldwin then pounced when a cross shot struck a post and fell into his path. McDonald had scored again in the 24th minute and Manor were within a whisker of an equaliser seconds into the second half but sheer persistence gave Rakim Richards the opportunity to increase Borough's lead four minutes into the half. But Abiola Tanimowo broke away to net a fine second for Manor a few minutes later before Borough finally siezed control and added further goals from Saleem Masri (making his debut) and Joseph O'Cearuill with an own goal completing the tally in stoppage time.

8th November 2014

Nov 8, 2014, 9:34 pm

## **NORMAL SERVICE RESUMED**

After the Vase disappointment Borough wasted no time in getting back to the vital gathering of League points and went one better than their average four goals a game haul with a 5-0 demolition of London Bari on Clapton's historic but less than perfect "Old Spotted Dog" pitch. Dean Fenton opened the scoring sfter only 4 minutes and Dewayne Clarke doubled the lead by half time before Fenton completed his hat trick with two quick goals just after the hour mark. A further bonus was the introduction as a late substitute of injury victim Anthony McDonald missing for the previous ten games who celebrated by racing through to finish the scoring in the last minute.

4th November 2014

Nov 5, 2014, 1:44 am

## **PENALTY MISERY ENDS VASE DREAM**

After 120 goal-less minutes Borough's Vase campaign ended at the first hurdle as Northampton Spencer put away 5 unstoppable penalties while Walid Matata's first kick for Borough crashed against the bar. But in truth the hosts win was well deserved for they had played virtually the whole of extra time with 9 men (an injury after all subs used and

a second yellow dismissal) and Borough had not even managed to test their 'keeper in that period. The determined Spencer side should really have won in normal time as the framework saved Borough three times while Borough's efforts were fewer in number and not particularly threatening. Probably the least said about Borough's performance the better but suffice it to say that no-one covered themselves in glory and many fell well below the standard of which they are known to be capable.

1st November 2014

Nov 1, 2014, 9:38 pm

## **BOROUGH SURVIVE 90 MINUTES WITH TEN MEN**

Borough preserved their right to appear in the draw for the 2nd Round of the FA Vase despite having to play 90 minutes (including extra time) after Dean Fenton was dismissed in the 29th minute for a tackle which divided opinion between "yellow would have been enough" and "definite red". By then Borough had conceded a somewhat easy goal in the 23rd minute when Paul Pickering glanced home a close range header and both Walid Matata and Dewayne Clarke had fired narrowly wide. Borough stepped up the pace in the second half and Daniel Aristidou jinked himself into position for a close range equaliser in the 62nd minute. Borough 'keeper Ashley Harris made a crucial stop in both periods of extra time and Matata missed a golden opportunity to avoid a difficult trip to Northampton next Tuesday when his understruck penalty, following a trip on Aristidou, was well saved by visiting 'keeper Tom Cooke

**VICTORY IN THE REPLAY WILL SEE BOROUGH VISITING LONDON COLNEY WHO ARE MID-TABLE IN THE SPARTAN SOUTH MIDLANDS LEAGUE IN THE 2nd ROUND ON SATURDAY 22nd NOVEMBER**

25th October 2014

Oct 25, 2014, 6:37 pm

## **2 CLEAN SHEETS, 6 POINTS and 7 GOALS**

Borough consolidated their position at the top of the table with 2 more away wins at Eton Manor on Tuesday 21st and Sawbridheworth Town on Saturday 25th. The Tuesday game was a comfortable run out with a Darrell Cox goal after 2 minutes being the precursor to a Walid Matata hat-trick and a Dean Fenton strike for the 5-0 win. But it was a different story on Saturday as Borough's much changed, injury ravaged side struggled to find any rhythm in the first half and were perhaps lucky to be ahead courtesy of a ferocious volley by Daniel Aristidou back across goal into the far top corner as he met a fine cross from the left by Dewayne Clarke in the 26th minute. But Borough sparkled right from the start of the second half and only some fine goalkeeping and desperate last ditch blocking restricted Borough to one more goal as Dean Fenton finished a sustained spell of pressure with a hard low drive from around 10 yards in the 60th minute.

30th September 2014

Oct 25, 2014, 6:26 pm

## BOROUGH TO HOST THE \*\*WALTER TULL MEMORIAL TROPHY FINAL

Borough are pleased to have the opportunity to stage at Coles Park the FINAL of the “WALTER TULL MEMORIAL TOURNAMENT” in the inaugural year of what it is hoped will be an Annual Tournament. The Final will be the culmination of a month long Tournament for Under 16s played at various venues in the Borough and will be held on the afternoon of Wednesday 29th October kicking off at 2pm. There is ample off-street parking within the Stadium Grounds. There will be a full bar service on site and hot drinks and food will be available in the Stadium Clubhouse

Admission is FREE

Further details concerning the Tournament can be obtained from the Nubian Jak Community Trust Ltd by e-mail to [info@nubianjak.org](mailto:info@nubianjak.org)

*\*\* Walter Tull was only the second English professional footballer of Afro-Caribbean or mixed heritage to play in the top Division of the Football League. He was an inside forward with Tottenham Hotspur and also Northampton Town having been “spotted” playing for his local Amateur Club – Clapton FC – in 1908. He was brought up in an orphanage in Bethnal Green.*

*During the First World War he served in the Footballers’ Battalion of the Middlesex*



*Regiment and saw action in the Battle of the Somme. Subsequently he was the first "mixed race" soldier to be commissioned as a 2<sup>nd</sup> Lieutenant and while leading his Company of 26 men during fighting in Italy was Mentioned in Despatches for "gallantry and coolness". Sadly on returning to France he was killed in action during the Spring Offensive in March 1918.*

18th October 2014

Oct 18, 2014, 8:03 pm

## SEVEN UP FOR BOROUGH

Borough's home game with Ilford was not as one sided as the 7-1 score suggests. Borough 'keeper Ashley Harris probably touched the ball more times than his opposite number but Borough's finishing was clinical while Ilford never really tested the 'keeper and the 33rd minute shot which beat him took a wicked deflection. Cedric Lakole had given Borough a 6th minute lead and Darrell Cox restored it three minutes after the equaliser with Dean Fenton netting a crucial third seconds before the interval. Walid Matata's penalty four minutes into the second half effectively sealed victory and Cox went on to add another in the 76th minute before substitute Oscar Williams weighed in with a late brace. *And to complete a fine weekend for the Club, the Womens team returned from their away trip to League leaders Billericay Town with a point from a 1-1 draw. Jonea Peter, one of many new young players equalised for Borough in the second half*

11th October 2014

Oct 11, 2014, 7:56 pm

## TEN MEN BOROUGH BATTLE THROUGH

Borough returned from second placed Hullbridge Sports with three vital points despite playing for an hour with only ten men after Jorge Djassi-Sambu was red carded perhaps a little harshly as his mis-timed tackle appeared to have arisen through a slip as he went in for it rather than any malicious intent. Fortunately Borough were 2-1 ahead by then as Walid Matata had scored from close range in their first attack after only 2 minutes when Darrell Cox set him up. A rocket shot equaliser from Michael Edgar after 27 minutes was followed by the winner two minutes later from Joe O'Cearuill who followed up to nod home a loose ball from close range after a superb stop by the home keeper. After that it was mainly "all hands to the pump" defending with block after block maintaining the lead in some desperate situations. Hullbridge played into Borough's hands by persistently launching a stream of high crosses into the goalmouth which were meat and drink to 'keeper Ashley Harris, probably misguidedly believing he was suspect as he had made a somewhat shaky start.

6 Jan 2015

Jan 5, 2015, 9:23 pm

## **2015 STARTS WITH A HARD FOUGHT WIN**

Boroughs penalty shoot out Gordon Brasted Memorial Trophy win at Hullbridge Sports was a testament to the Club's strength in depth. With at least 9 players who would have been in contention for a place in the squad absent through injury or non-availability competition for places will have been increased by the superb performance of those who were available. Two goals came early in each half with an early long shot deceiving Borough 'keeper Ashley Harris before Anthony McDonald equalised seven minutes later with a superb individual run and swerving low finish. Daniel Aristidou restored Boroughs lead shortly after the interval but that lasted only a few minutes as Borough were caught out by a swift break down the left and the low cross was flicked home. Neither side wanted extra time, and penalties even less, so an end to end thriller ensued with Joshua Willer clearing the ball off the Borough line seconds before the end of extra time. And it was Willer who scored Boroughs fifth and final penalty enabling Harris to send Borough through to the quarter finals 4-3 on spot kicks as he beat away the final kick of the ten.

*League Vice-Chairman Derek Prentice attended the match and the following is his "take" on it:-*

*Hi All ..... I have to say what a pleasure it was last night to get back to playing football and what a game it was. Firstly congratulations to Pat Hayes and his ground staff for getting the game on following the deluge at the weekend. The game itself was a credit to both sides, who were both short of some players. It was played in a fantastic spirit with tremendous pace and end to end stuff for all of the 120 minutes and either side could have got the result. There was not a bad tackle throughout the whole match and I think just one yellow card for a relatively minor offence. This was of course a repeat of last years final in this competition and I have to say is one of the best matches I have seen at Lower Road and I go back some time. So a very well done to both Clubs.*

*Derek Prentice*

Jan 5, 2015, 6:28 pm

## **CHANGES AFOOT FOR BOROUGH WOMEN**

Haringey Borough Women start the New Year under new Management with **STEVE BROWNE** taking over the reins from Natalie Silva-Knight who, as Player-Manager in tandem with Team Administrator Karla Parker, has guided the Club through a rather difficult two and a half seasons during which the dressing room ambience has not always been one of "sweetness and light"; the Club greatly appreciates her perseverance and is pleased that she will still be with us in a playing capacity.

Steve has for many seasons run the highly successful Youth League Club **S & T ACADEMY** (the "T" stands for Troy Townsend) and has been coaching

Borough Women as well for two months. Many of the S & T girls on reaching 16 have dual signed for Borough to move up into Adult football and seven of them appeared in Borough's last match – a vital away win at the League's bottom Club.

For the remainder of this season pulling away from the relegation spots is the prime target, perhaps with a League Cup run by way of light relief, and then to "hit the ground running" to propel the Club onwards and upwards from the start of next season in pursuit of the promotion spot which would see Borough enter the Women's Premier League. Steve's endeavours will be enhanced by the efficiency of Karla with her understanding of the Club ethos after 11 years as player and Administrator and on the coaching front by Mickey Leslie who has extensive previous experience at Senior level and by Kendal Campbell who has been with the Club in that capacity for two seasons.

Any player (minimum age 16) who would like to "train and trial" with the Club should contact Karla by e-mail at [\*\*haringeyboroughwfc@gmail.com\*\*](mailto:haringeyboroughwfc@gmail.com)

28th December 2014

Dec 28, 2014, 7:42 pm

## **BOROUGH SET NATIONAL RECORD** **FOR 2014**

It seems we have set some sort of unofficial record in 2014 - and below is an extract from the latest Essex Senior League Bulletin penned by Chairman Rob Errington:-

***Thanks to the good work and eagle eye of media buff David Ballheimer, he reckons that HARINGEY BOROUGH have the best league record in Non-League football in 2014. Their record has resulted as follows .....P 41 W 38 D 1 L 2 F 139 A 28 Pts 115.***

***So I put a request out on a National Forum if anyone could beat it but the only response from over 650 readers was a mention of NWCL 1874 Northwich FC who went into their last league match of the year on Boxing day with only a single loss but their opponents, Winsford, won the game 1-0 so their record ended up as ..... P 33 W 26 D 6 L 2 F 71 A 15***

***Let, us therefore congratulate HARINGEY BOROUGH on this magnificent achievement which can go into our League books as a NATIONAL RECORD !***

21st December 2014

Dec 21, 2014, 11:56 pm

## WOMEN DEFY THE ODDS FOR VITAL WIN

With the Men's game waterlogged off it was the Women's turn to take centre stage and a 240 mile round trip to a village lying to the East of Norwich was hardly the most desirable of fixtures on the Sunday before Christmas so unsurprisingly Borough had to field a much changed team for their relegation tussle with Acle United. But the 12 who turned out did themselves and the Club proud returning with a 3-0 win which was not in any way as comfortable as the score might suggest for it was not until the closing seconds of stoppage time that the clinching third goal was slotted home. An early injury reducing the squad to 11 while playing up the slope and into the wind hardly helped. But all recognised the team ethos that they were defenders whenever Acle had the ball and although confidence spreading 'keeper Cherkish Young was kept busy throughout the first half the shield in front of her limited real opportunities to the minimum; and midway through the half Rianna Davies muscled her way into a scoring position to lash the ball into the roof of the net from six yards out in one of Borough's far fewer sorties. Confidence soared early in the second half when Ellena Finneran cut in from the right to loft her cross shot over the keeper and although Borough had the better of the second half there was still plenty of defending to be done with some vital interceptions keeping the sheet clean until Zhane Amoaten raced clear of the tiring home defence in stoppage time to arrow her finish low to the 'keepers left. That the victory was secured by a team with an average age of just under 20 which included four sixteen year olds and three seventeen year olds reflects their long and painstaking preparation for adult football while with S & T Academy by their Manager Steve Browne who now doubles up as Borough Women's Head Coach. The win kept Borough six points above Acle and also enabled them to overhaul AFC Dunstable on goal difference.

13th December 2014

Dec 13, 2014, 10:13 pm

## WIN No. 18 BUT AN EDGY ONE

With what was far from their most sparking performance of the season Borough edged home 2-1 at Tower Hamlets Mile End Stadium thanks to a superb individual goal from Anthony McDonald just before the interval and Darrell Cox's powerful close range header

from a McDonald cross midway through the second half. Both sides had spurned golden opportunities early on. But having secured the comfort of a two goal margin Borough conceded only three minutes later when Sodiq Ayinde headed home a free kick conceded just outside the right of the penalty box. The lofty home side posed a massive aerial threat and it was fortunate that Borough did not concede too many corners and free kicks.

9th December 2014

Dec 10, 2014, 2:16 am

## **SUPER - SUB SEALS ANOTHER WIN**

Neither Borough nor our visitors Sawbridgeworth Town could have had any complaints had the points been shared. But Borough kept a winning streak going thanks to a strike which will probably not be bettered all season. Had it been by Ronaldo or Beckham it would have featured on every TV sports programme *ad infinitum*. But it came from Florin Pelecaci - our latest signing just two days ago - who has been out of the game through injury for many months and was introduced as a 75th minute substitute. Within seconds he had curled a sensational 30 yard effort just beneath the angle of bar and post to the 'keepers right. Few, if any, 'keepers could have stopped it. Anthony McDonald had put Borough ahead with a fine low shot from the edge of the penalty area after 32 minutes but the lead lasted only seven minutes as the fast skilful and determined visitors equalised with a low cross shot from George Wappett who was a thorn in Borough's side throughout. Ten minutes into the second half Darrell Cox was on hand to scramble home a loose ball when Cornel Cornea's low cross shot struck the inside of the far post only for Wappett to equalise eight minutes later following a sweeping move which ended with him drilling home a low cross from the left at the foot of the far post. After that it was cut and thrust and looked to be anyone's game until Pelecaci's magic moment settled what was certainly one of Borough's toughest games of the season

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6th December 2014

Dec 6, 2014, 8:27 pm

## **ANOTHER HARD EARNED WIN TO MAKE IT SWEET SIXTEEN**

Borough have now won 16 of their 17 League games this season but it was not until Walid Matata put away a penalty a few minutes from time that Borough could feel assured of the points despite a two goal interval lead secured by Lynvall Duncan who reacted quickest when the 'keeper did well to beat out a free kick in the 6th minute and Darrell Cox who also followed up well to smash home a loose ball after Matata had drawn another fine parry by the 'keeper on the half hour mark. Before half time visitors Waltham Forest had tested the Borough defence with a spell of sustained pressure and their determination and

persistence brought them just reward seven minutes after the restart when Luke Ifil drove home a low close range shot. An equaliser seemed far from unlikely but some vital Borough blocks kept Forest at bay and Matata's clinching 83rd minute penalty following a tired tackle on the rather heavy and lifeless pitch was to be the only further score.

**22nd November 2014**

*Nov 22, 2014, 7:16 pm*

## ANOTHER THREE POINTS - BUT HARD EARNED

Borough made it 15 wins from 16 League games to consolidate their position at the top of the table thanks to a powerful top corner header by Saleem Masri as he connected with a cross from Anthony McDonald in the last minute of the first half at Takeley. Borough had previously squandered some fine opportunities to make the game safe and early in the second half were unlucky when the bar denied Daniel Aristiodou's long range dipper. But Takeley hit back strongly in the last half hour and Borough were also saved by the framework as well as some vital stops by Ashley Harris.

**11th March 2015**

*Mar 13, 2015, 7:11 pm*

## BOROUGH CRUISE INTO SEMI-FINAL

A much changed Borough team progressed comfortably to the Semi Final stage of the Gordon Brasted Memorial Trophy with a 3-0 win over visiting Sawbridgeworth Town. They will visit Clapton on Thursday 16th April. A lively opening was rewarded after only 4 minutes when Jorge Djassi-Sambu scored his first goal for the Club as he met a free kick with a thumping header which gave the visiting 'keeper no chance. An even first half gave one of Borough's 3 debut makers - goalkeeper Kalin Artakiev - the opportunity to show his mettle and his vital blocking of close range efforts kept the sheet clean. After the interval Florin Pelecaci sped clear to finish with a clinical strike low inside the post to the 'keepers right after 49 minutes and Jonathan Constant wrapped up the win on 64 minutes with his first goal for the Club, a 10 yard blast into the roof of the net.

**7th March 2015**

*Mar 7, 2015, 8:14 pm*

## VITAL WIN - BUT ONLY JUST !

For Borough the day could hardly have gone any better with their only two realistic challengers playing each other and drawing 0-0. Effectively, Borough now need 29 points from their last 12 games to be sure of the Title. But today's home performance against lowly Enfield (1893) was hardly convincing; despite the visitors being reduced to 10 men after only 18 minutes by a straight red card not a single shot to test the Enfield 'keeper was unleashed although some shots which might have done so were blocked by some fine last minute blocks as the visitors put in a determined display which so nearly earned them a point. And it was by no means a totally negative defensive display by Enfield, who were far from out of it, but despite some promising approach work they too got nothing on target to test Borough's keeper Ashley Harris. In the end it was substitute defender Rakim Richards who rose to meet Daniel Aristidou's corner from the right and send a perfect header looping into the net to the 'keepers left with only seconds of normal time remaining. As to the events of stoppage time probably the least said the better as by the conclusion Enfield were reduced to eight players and Borough to ten.

**3rd March 2015**

*Mar 4, 2015, 12:14 am*

## **BACK ON TOP, BRIEFLY AT LEAST**

A home victory by the odd goal in three over the bottom Club Sporting Bengal United, whose performance suggested that was not really where they belong, was enough to enable Borough to reclaim the top spot on goal difference at least for 24 hours. If London Bari do not prevent Barking winning on Wednesday then Barking will go top again but we will have three games in hand over them. Saleem Masri opened the scoring with a crisp low cross shot in the 25th minute and shortly after coming on as a substitute (as it happens for Masri) he scored in the 74th minute from close range at the second attempt after the 'keeper had blocked his first. It was a vital contribution as Sporting pulled one back in a goalmouth scramble eight minutes later to set up a nervy last ten minutes. The game featured an unusually high number of off side decisions with Borough being the main first half culprits while the flag brought many dangerous looking late sorties of the visitors to a premature end.

**21st February 2015**

*Feb 21, 2015, 8:51 pm*

## **BACK ON THE GOAL TRAIL**

After the recent mini-drought Borough got their shooting boots back on to record a comfortable 4-0 win at Southend Manor. 2 goals in each half from Walid Matata and Darrell Cox were sufficient but some wayward finishing and a fine performance from the home 'keeper kept the score down. At the other end Ashley Harris was untroubled in the first half but was forced to make two smart saves early in the second half to maintain the clean sheet.

**10th February 2015**

*Feb 11, 2015, 1:17 pm*

## **GREAT RUN IS OVER**

Last Tuesday Borough sacrificed their 14 League match winning run with a goal-less draw. This week the 15 unbeaten game run came to an end at Stansted who scored the only goal of the match ten minutes into the second half. So the team which scored goals for fun earlier in the season, averaging 4 a game in their first 17 League matches completed 180 minutes without finding the net ! Stansted's greater desire and determination was obvious right from the off and although Borough stepped up a gear after going behind and rained in crosses and corners, some of which produced fine headed chances, all were wasted. Stansted defended stubbornly and deserved their success. For Borough a performance best forgotten and definitely not one to be repeated if top spot is to be retained.

3rd February 2015

Feb 4, 2015, 12:53 am

## "AS YOU WERE" AT THE TOP

The vital visit to Barking ended without a goal perhaps not surprisingly as with so much at stake for both teams safety first was inevitably going to take precedence over flair and working the ball out carefully from the back and through the mid-field; so long ball aerial warfare was much in evidence with the defences generally dominating. Barking's threat came mostly from set pieces as Borough were forced to repel a succession of corners and diagonally driven in free kicks. No really gilt edged chances were created by either team but Ashley Harris pulled off two vital second half saves from close range for Borough and when Borough found space up front late on as Barking pressed forward ever more urgently a couple of promising half chances were wasted without testing the home keeper. 90 nervous minutes produced a result neither side really wanted but Barking are probably the more disappointed as they desperately needed the 3 points to boost their chances of reining us in at the top. Our erstwhile run of 14 consecutive League wins is over but we can live with that. Victory meant that we remained six points ahead of Barking with a game in hand – effectively 7 points in view of our vastly superior goal difference. But Bowers United now scoring goals for fun may be a bigger threat if they can cope with their enormous backlog of fixtures and if they were to win all their 5 games in hand on us they would be only 8 points behind. And we have yet to meet them home and away with their visit to Coles Park currently scheduled to be our last League fixture although the weather may yet have something to say about that.

.....**but the WOMEN FARED BETTER AT BARKING** on Sunday 8th when the League fixture list co-incidentally sent them to Mayesbrook Park. A goal from debut-making Charlotte Collins-Blaize with a well timed run to blast home a low cross from the left midway through the first half was followed by a clinical close range finish by Zhane Amaoten who pounced when Alice Manu's shot was parried a minute before the interval. Borough had to withstand a lot of second half pressure in what was a tough tackling match and while Barking were unable



to fire in any shots to seriously test Borough' keeper Cherkish Young she had to produce several brave plunges into a sea of legs as a succession of corners were fired into the danger area causing repeated goalmouth scrambles and deservedly kept a clean sheet.. Borough had further chances to make the game safe but could not quite find a cutting edge finish for some promising approach play.

24 Jan 2015

Jan 24, 2015, 11:19 pm

## TOP v BOTTOM FINISHES PREDICTABLY

4-1 is the sort of scoreline to be expected from a top v bottom clash but in truth it could and should have been much higher with a combination of wasteful finishing, repeated framework interventions and desperate goal-line clearances denying Borough further improvement to their goal difference. Borough led at the interval without having shown great urgency thanks to a rocket of a cross shot into the far top corner from the edge of the penalty area unleashed by Cornel Cornea after 13 minutes. Thus the score stayed until the introduction of Darrell Cox midway through the second half and within minutes of his arrival he had unfussily tucked away two low close range efforts in the 71st and 75th minutes. A horrible mix-up in defence gifted Sporting Bengal United a 79th minute goal but it never looked likely to be more than a consolation and Anthony McDonald wrapped up the scoring in stoppage time with a precise cross shot low into the corner.

.....and on Sunday **WOMEN REACH LEAGUE CUP SEMI-FINAL**

Borough returned from Bury St. Edmunds after 2 hours of hard graft and concentration with a 2-0 quarter final win over Bury Town. Borough enjoyed the lion's share of possession and made by far the greater number of chances but a stubborn well organised defence kept them at bay throughout normal time. But early in the first extra 15 minutes Alice Manu knocked home two close range efforts and Bury's predictable late flurry never looked likely to reverse the situation with a succession of corners being confidently dealt with as Borough entered the semi-final where they will meet Royston Town probably at a neutral venue on March 15th.

10 January 2015

Jan 10, 2015, 11:44 pm

## **THREE POINTS FROM A VERY STERN TEST**

Boroughs last line of defence weathered its severest test of the season especially in a "backs to the wall" second half in which it received little assistance in the way of pressure relief from its misfiring front line. Even so only a sensational flying save by Ashley Harris to push a powerful late free kick just past his left hand post preserved the 2-1 lead at "The Old Spotted Dog" where Clapton and their noisy supporters must be wondering how they failed to get an equaliser from their second half onslaught which would really have been the least they deserved. Both sides had profited from penalties for fouls, not of the worst variety, with Walid Matata slotting the first low to the 'keepers left against the run of play in the 22nd minute. Fahad Nyanja sent Harris the wrong way five minutes before the interval. In between a fine run by Anthony McDonald finished with a 27th minute shot against the post and Cornel Cornea prodded home the rebound. The less said about Borough's second half finishing of the few chances they managed to create the better. After match news that closest challenger's Barking had effectively made the win worth five points for Borough by their surprising 1-1 draw at home to Basildon United made the journey back even sweeter; Borough now lead them 57 points to 42 but have played 2 games more

## **AND WOMEN OVERCOME STEVENAGE TO REACH THEIR LEAGUE CUP QUARTER FINAL ON SUNDAY.....**

.....in what was a game of similar pattern. Two-nil up at Codicote (having conceded home advantage to get the game played) through Eunice Fakolade and Marianne Sheena at the interval Borough had to withstand a second half onslaught in which 'keeper Cherkish Young pulled off some outstanding saves including a vital dive low to her left to push a hard hit penalty past the post ten minutes from time so avoiding what would have been a nailbiting finish. In fact Borough broke away for Sheena to increase the lead before Stevenage deservedly hooked home a consolation effort only for Sheena to again exploit the space their need for all out attack allowed to complete her hat-trick for the 4-1 win. It was by no means as comfortable as a three goal margin suggests but was the just reward for ninety minutes hard slog.

4th April 2015

Apr 4, 2015, 7:36 pm

## CONSOLIDATION DAY

After some less than sparkling recent performances Boprough took the opportunity to turn in a display reminiscent of the early season form which had seen them runaway with the League leadership until the intervention of the weather. And it was a good time to do so with second placed Barking visiting Coles Park. Right-back Rakim Richards set up near identical goals for Darrell Cox in the 15th and 44th minute with surging runs which enabled him to cut balls back from the byeline for Cox to sweep home from close range. The first was all his own work while the second came at the end of some fine combination play involving Lee Allen and Dean Fenton. Barking's best chance to force their way back into the game came in the first minute after the interval but the half chance was driven low but just wide. Leroy Griffiths muscled his way onto Daniel Arisitdous through ball to blast home from the edge of the 6 yard box in the 60th minute, effectively sealing victory. The sending off of Barking's Joe Staunton for 2 yellows ten minutes from time had no real effect on the outcome. But it would be unfair not to acknowledge a superb display by Barking 'keeper Jason Willis especially for a seemingly impossible double save midway through the first half from a 20 yard free kick and the follow up; he even managed to block Dean Fenton's 89th minute penalty but on this occasion could do nothing as Fenton easily poked home the loose ball.

31st March 2015

Mar 31, 2015, 10:51 pm

## BACK AT THE SUMMIT

It took only 2 minutes for Borough to secure the lead against visiting Eton Manor with their 100th League goal of the season as Joshua Willer followed up to smash home a loose ball after Anthony McDonald's effort had been blocked. But it was not until the 81st minute that Darrell Cox eased Borough nerves slotting home from a difficult angle after being forced wide by the keeper. In between it had been an even game with Manor enjoying plenty of possession but creating only one clear cut chance which was squandered on the stroke of half time. Ashley Harris in the Borough goal was not seriously tested and dealt comfortably enough with all efforts which were not high or wide. The 3 points restored Borough to the top of the table - a position which would probably never have been surrendered but for the dreadful sequence of weather cancellations in December, January and February. Barking who they overtook will be next up at Coles Park this coming Saturday

28th March 2015

Mar 28, 2015, 9:16 pm

## **NO MIDWEEK HANGOVER AS BOROUGH HIT THE GOAL TRAIL AGAIN**

After Thursdays lacklustre performance Borough hit back with a vengeance - with a video showing Bowers winning goal as obviously offside having added a sense of injustice;

visiting Hullbridge Sports were swept aside with 5 unanswered goals before the break and a further two afterwards for a final score of 7-1. Wing men Anthony McDonald and Daniel Arisitidou were their tormentors in chief and it was McDonald who opened the scoring after five minutes with a long range effort from way out on the left wing which swerved into the far top corner and it was fortunate that a Borough player in an offside position managed to avoid contact with the ball. Darrell Cox had added two more, sweeping home at the end of a flowing move and then a header before McDonald scored the goal of the match in the 22nd minute with a 35 yard effort as he burst clear down the middle which dipped just under the bar. Leroy Griffiths then headed home a corner on 27 minutes. It took a further 30 minutes before Aristidou found the net from wayout on the right touchline with a dipper over the 'keeper. Ashley Harris's push in the area gifted Hullbridge a penalty three minutes from time which Harry Skinner blasted home before Griffiths finished the scoring in stoppage time with an emphatic 10 yard drive into the roof of the net (Boroughs 99th League goal of the season) after Aristidou set him up.

26th March 2015

Mar 27, 2015, 12:20 am

## *NO REWARD FROM A DISAPPOINTING PERFORMANCE*

A visit to your main promotion rivals is not the ideal time to turn in the most sub-standard of performances and the price was duly paid in an odd goal in three defeat. No Borough player enhanced his reputation - quite the opposite in some cases, Borough had the benefit of taking a 9th minute lead through Dean Fenton courtesy of a Bowers & Pitsea keeper's misjudgement but later in the half he redeemed himself with a point blank save of a well struck close range Rakim Richards effort. Sadly, Borough never managed to test him again. But in the second half the wind made a great difference and the home side threatened right from the start. Their 57th minute equaliser came direct from a long range free kick by Vincent Durrant which should really have been headed clear and not allowed to bounce and rise into the top corner of the net. When Dan Gudgeon's indiscipline a few minute's later saw him race across unnecessarily to join in a melee and collect a red card Borough were up against it with Bowers dominating in terms of possession but creating few clear cut chances except the winner put away in the 82nd minute by Rob Whitnell. Borough remain 2nd, one point behind Barking but with 4 games in hand with Bowers & Pitsea in 3rd place 15 points behind but with three games in hand.

24th March 2015

Mar 25, 2015, 2:01 am

## *INTO ANOTHER SEMI-FINAL*

Borough won their fourth consecutive game by a one goal margin when Takeley visited Coles Park in the quarter final of the Essex Senior League Cup. The win was more comfortable than the 2-1 score suggests as the visitors consolation came at the end of stoppage time with the very last kick of the match from the penalty spot. Anthony McDonald had fired Borough ahead with a hard low drive from the edge of the penalty box in the 11th minute. There was plenty of endeavour from both teams with the visitors 'keeper being the busier custodian and keeping the deficit to one until the 87th minute when Dewayne Clarke nodded the second goal into the roof of the net from close range. The semi-final will be at Coles Park on Tuesday 28th April against Bowers & Pitsea.

21st March 2015

Mar 21, 2015, 8:24 pm

## STOPPAGE TIME AGONY AND ECSTASY

When "visiting" groundsharers Greenhouse London jostled the ball away from Borough 'keeper Ashley Harris in the first minute of stoppage time it seemed that two precious promotion points had been lost. James Anderson applied the vital touch to make it 2-2. But three minutes later substitute Anthony McDonald, making his first appearance after several weeks out injured, fired over an inviting cross from the left which the intruding Leroy Griffiths met with a diving header outside the far post to send the ball back across goal and into the net for the winner. The first three goals were all down to free kicks. Borough went ahead in the 29th minute when Dean Fentons 25 yard blast was parried by the 'keeper and Jonathan Constant reacted first to smash home the loose ball. Greenhouse equalised in the last minute of the half when a kick swung in from the right avoided defensive heads and fell for Hamza Sadouk to give Harris no chance with a close range blast. Another goal mouth scramble created by a free kick enabled Jorge Djassi-Sambu to restore Borough's lead in the 55th minute. Thereafter little was created in the way of clear cut chances by either side until the late flurry. The post match celebrations were enhanced by the news that one of the two title challengers, Bowers & Pitsea had been held to a one-all draw at home by Clapton which leaves them 21 points behind Borough with only four games in hand.

17th March 2015

Mar 18, 2015, 1:57 pm

## ANOTHER LATE GOAL BRINGS LEAGUE CUP SUCCESS

Borough progressed to the quarter-final of the League Cup with a solitary goal victory over visitors Ilford after a match in which very few chances were created. An uneventful first half was followed by a more lively second period although, regrettably, that was more on account of its sometimes ill-tempered nature rather than any particularly memorable play. Ilford were reduced to ten men with fifteen minutes left but looked like taking the game to extra time until Tashan Bradshaw-Brown settled it in the 84th minute. Lurking just outside the far post he was quickest to react when a corner from the left caused a scramble and he blasted the ball home from a few yards out. Takeley will visit Coles Park in the quarter final on Tuesday 24th March

14th March 2015

Mar 14, 2015, 11:08 pm

## ROMANIAN HOODOO OVERCOME - JUST !

Borough had never beaten FC Romania previously but late goals in each half finally provided a first win in the 4th meeting - a vital one on a day which also saw victories for the other two Championship chasing teams, Bowers & Pitsea and Barking. Slow defensive reaction enabled Ilie Vasile to fire FCR ahead with a hard low shot to reward their determined opening flurry after only 6 minutes. Borough eventually got going and had been thwarted by a fine double save from the home keeper before debut making Leroy Griffiths met Dean Fenton's cross from the right at the near post with a clever volley low across goal and into the net in the last minute of the first half. Borough had the better of the second half with Jonathan Constant and Griffiths going closest but it was not until three minutes from time that Jorge Djassi-Sambu secured the points with an acrobatic overhead kick. Borough remain in 2nd place, one point behind Barking but with 4 games in hand.

28th April 2015

Apr 28, 2015, 11:09 pm

## NO FINAL APPEARANCE FOR BOROUGH

Borough were eliminated from a knock out competition at the semi-final stage for the second time this season. On this occasion from the Essex Senior League Cup at home to Bowers and Pitsea which was a clash of the Clubs finishing 1st and 2nd in the League and it looked thus from the quality of the football on display. But second was best this time despite Borough taking a 9th minute lead as Darrell Cox finished with an accurate shot between the advancing keepers legs. Unconvincing Borough defending then saw the lead change hands ten minutes later as Rob Whitnell finished from virtually point blank range in the 17th and 19th minutes. For the remainder of the half it looked to be anyone's game but four minutes after the interval Lewis Manor was first to a free kick driven in low from the left and turned it home from close range. And Manor effectively made the game safe with another close range finish in the 61st minute. The match featured the Leagues two top scorers - Manor and Cox - and the latters opening goal squared the tally at 37 each but the two second half goals by Manor leave him as the definite winner with 39 and he will have a further opportunity to increase his haul in the final where the opposition will be provided by Clapton. If Bowers reproduce this sparkling level of performance it is difficult to visualise them failing to end their season with some well deserved silverware.

25th April 2015

Apr 25, 2015, 9:17 pm

## LEAGUE CAMPAIGN FINISHES WITH 12 GOAL ROMP

Borough completed their Essex Senior League campaign with an unexpectedly easy win over visiting Tower Hamlets, a Club which has always provided a stern test in previous meetings but was very obviously under strength on this occasion. Borough scored six without reply in each half with Darrell Cox opening the scoring after 15 seconds and finishing it with the last goal in stoppage time having scored another six himself in between. Leroy Griffiths and Daniel Aristidou also scored in the first half; Dean Fenton and Joshua Willer scored in the second half. The framework saved Hamlets on two occasions and over casual Borough finishing also kept the score down. The visitors who arrived with only one substitute were further handicapped by having to play the last half

hour with an outfield player in goal and only 10 men after their 'keeper who had managed to carry on following a first half injury was finally forced to call it a day with the substitute already used. There is one final match to be played at Coles Park – next Tuesday when Bowers & Pitsea will visit for a League Cup Semi-Final.

Borough finished the season with a League record of:-

Played 38 Won 34 Drawn 1 Lost 3 129 goals for 30 against

Goal Difference 99 Points 103

Borough created all time League Records for:-

Highest number of points - 103

Highest number of goals - 129

Most wins in a season - 34

Highest goal difference - 99 (jointly with this seasons runner-up Bowers & Pitsea)

The 8 goal in one match haul of Darrell Cox was the joint highest ever.

23rd April 2015

Apr 24, 2015, 12:01 am

## ***BOROUGH REACH CENTURY OF POINTS***

A 4-1 home win suggests a somewhat one sided game but that was far from the case in what was a very even match. With so many fine chances made but wasted it could easily have finished as a very high scoring draw and it was fortunate that Takeley, who probably had the greater share of such opportunities, were the more profligate. For Borough Shawn Beveney had already hit the angle of post and bar before a rather fortuitous penalty for handball enabled Cornel Cornea to confidently "dink" home from the spot after only 9 minutes. After that chances came and went at both ends and it was surprising that there were no further goals until the 69th minute when Joshua Willer finished a flowing move with a hard low shot from just inside the area. Takeley pulled one back ten minutes later when Theo Ola ran through to finish from close range but a couple of minutes later the two goal cushion was restored from the spot when a follow through tackle on Darrell Cox after he had unleashed his shot was penalised. This time Beveney hit the ball high and accurately to the 'keepers right. Cox completed the scoring five minutes from the end of normal time after making space to fire home a low cross shot which went in via the inside of the post. The win brought up 100 points for Borough with one League game remaining.

18th April 2015

Apr 18, 2015, 7:47 pm

## CHAMPIONSHIP SECURED AFTER A "NAILBITER"

Borough clinched the League Championship with a roller-coaster nerve shredder of a win at home to Bowers & Pitsea - the only Club who could have challenged them. Borough started hesitantly and it was no real surprise when the visitors took a 17th minute lead through Luke Wilson who met a corner from the right just outside the far post and smashed it back and in. Before that Bowers had suffered the disappointment of having a goal disallowed for off-side and Borough 'keeper Ashley Harris had made a fine sprawling save to his right to keep out a Lewis Manor penalty kick. There were no gilt edged chances created in the remainder of the first half of which Bowers definitely had the better. But with wind advantage Borough improved greatly and drew level in the 57th minute when Dean Fenton blasted a 25 yard free kick from a central position low through the wall and right into the corner of the net to the 'keepers left. Parity was sufficient to clinch the Championship but a clumsy tackle in the 75th minute gave Manor another opportunity from the spot and this time he gave Harris no chance. With nothing to lose Borough withdrew both full-backs in favour of more attacking players and were rewarded three minutes from time when one of them - Macauley White - scored his first goal for the Club direct from a corner on the left which dropped low just inside the far post. It was now Bowers with nothing to lose by throwing caution to the wind but in the first minute of stoppage time Leroy Griffiths eased Borough nerves with what must be a contender for goal of the season as he hooked the ball over the keeper from some 40 yards or so way out from the right touchline. One of those goals we would all never cease hearing about had Beckham or Ronaldo been the scorer. It was just as well he did for in the remaining stoppage time Bowers hit the bar and Harris made a wonderful save as the rebound was blasted goalwards. So Borough have finished the job with two games remaining and will enter the Promotion (from Step 5 to Step 4) Pool from which they will probably be allocated to Division One North of the Ryman League

16th April 2015

Apr 17, 2015, 12:32 am

## SEMI-FINAL EXIT FROM TROPHY

A much changed Borough squad travelled to Clapton's "Old Spotted Dog" Stadium for the semi-final tie of the Gordon Brasted Memorial Trophy. After being slow to get into their stride, casual defending gifted Clapton a close range finish in the 15th minute for the games only goal. Borough stepped up a gear and enjoyed most of the possession thereafter but missed a glorious opportunity to equalise from the spot after 35 minutes. The penalty award led to the dismissal of a Clapton defender but although Borough battered away at the massed ranks of the home defence throughout the second half their final balls never created a clear opening and the Clapton 'keepers abilities as a shot stopper were never seriously tested. His height enabled him to deal comfortably with the many high crosses and corners launched into the danger area. Borough's long high ball approach foundered against uncompromising defenders who dealt confidently with such tactics and their job was helped as too many balls were overhit.



14th April 2015

Apr 15, 2015, 12:10 am

## ANOTHER CLEAN SHEET - ANOTHER VITAL WIN

Borough's defence delivered another total shut out - their fourth in the last five games - against visiting Stansted. Anthony McDonald was the architect of victory as the visitors had no answer to his trickery and must have been mightily relieved that he did not re-appear after the interval. He set up the opening goal after only three minutes when his perfectly flighted diagonal cross from the left was met by Rakim Richards at the far post and he made no mistake with an accurate low finish. And it was a desperate tackle on McDonald which brought the penalty by which Dean Fenton doubled the lead deep into first half stoppage time. Stansted enjoyed more possession in the second half and made determined efforts to save the game but it was not until a minute or so from the end of normal time that they looked like scoring and Borough were fortunate that a low cross shot rebounded from the post into the arms of Ashley Harris. The victory means that Borough require one win from their remaining three games to be Champions

11th April 2015

Apr 11, 2015, 3:24 pm

## LATE PENALTY SECURES 3 PRECIOUS POINTS

A morning kick off at "The Old Spotted Dog" was not the ideal time and place for a match of vital importance to our promotion push. The match is not one likely to live long in the memory and it took until the 81st minute for Borough to overcome the determined resistance of Newham. The solitary goal then came courtesy of a completely unnecessary push in the back of Darrell Cox by a Newham defender when no great danger seemed apparent. With the referee only a few yards away a spot kick award was inevitable and Cox coolly drove it home low to the 'keepers right. Before that Borough had created but wasted too many half chances but were unlucky when Lee Allen's 25 yard dipper crashed against the bar midway through the first half. Newham's threat arose mainly from their height at set pieces and Ashley Harris dealt comfortably enough with their long range efforts. The three points gained ended Barking's pursuit of the Championship which is now a straight race between Borough and Bowers & Pitsea whose hopes were unexpectedly dented by the surprise goal-less draw at bottom club Sporting Bengal United in the afternoon.

.....and it was 1-0 TO THE BOROUGH ON  
SUNDAY too as the Womens team escaped relegation to preserve their Premier Division status by winning their final match at home to Leverstock Green. Jaidene Browne scrambled home the goal mid-way through the first half and composed defending preserved the points as the visitors pressed determinedly in the second half when enjoying wind advantage.

8th April 2015

Apr 8, 2015, 10:46 pm

## COMEBACK NEEDED FOR NERVY WIN

Abysmal finishing in the first half in which five gilt-edged chances were wasted meant Borough were one down at the interval on their visit to Basildon United who had taken a 35th minute lead when a cross (perhaps a shot) from the left nestled in the far top corner. Fortunately matters were rectified only two minutes into the second half when Darrell Cox accurately headed home Cornel Cornea's corner from the right. And he also netted the winner on 65 minutes when he swept home from around the penalty spot a low cross fired over from the right by Joshua Willer. Borough's lead never really looked in danger after that although a one goal margin is inevitably keeps nerves on edge.

8th September 2015

Sep 8, 2015, 1:36 pm

## CHARTER STANDARD ACHIEVED

The Club has now been awarded FA Adult Club Charter Standard Status

3rd July 2015

Jul 3, 2015, 12:17 pm

## FA CUP & TROPHY DRAWS ANNOUNCED

In the Preliminary Round of the **FA CUP**, Borough will visit either FELIXTOWE & WALTON UNITED (who finished 5th in the Thurlow Nunn Eastern Counties League last season) or BARKING (3rd in the Essex Senior League) on Saturday 29th August

In the Preliminary Round of the **FA TROPHY**, Borough will visit FOLKESTONE INVICTA (runners up in Ryman League Division One South last season) on 3rd October.

Success in that game would result in a visit to DUNSTABLE TOWN (14th in the Evostik Southern League - Premier Division)

25th June

Jun 27, 2015, 9:32 pm

## THERE WILL BE NO MORE 2015/16 PRE-SEASON TRIALS

14th June 2015

Jun 14, 2015, 3:52 pm

## PRE-SEASON SCHEDULE COMPLETED

Because of close-season work on the Coles Park Pitch all Borough's pre-season games will be played away from home.

GAMES ARRANGED ARE:-

Saturday July 18<sup>th</sup> UXBRIDGE

Tuesday 21st July HENDON (on 3G pitch at Silver Jubilee Park)

Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> July COLNEY HEATH

Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> July OXHEY JETS

Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> August NORTHAMPTON SPENCER

Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> August BRIMSDOWN

14th June 2015

Jun 14, 2015, 3:41 pm

## RYMAN LEAGUE CONSTITUTION CONFIRMED

The Constitution of the Ryman League was confirmed at the League AGM held on Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> June at the Wembley Hilton Hotel.

Borough are members of a 24 team DIVISION ONE NORTH and will be playing:-

AFC HORNCHURCH	AFC SUDBURY	AVELEY
BARKINGSIDE	BRIGHTLINGSEA REGENT	BURY TOWN
CHESHUNT	CRAY WANDERERS	DEREHAM TOWN
GREAT WAKERING ROVERS	HARLOW TOWN	HEYBRIDGE SWIFTS
MALDON & TIPTREE	PHOENIX SPORTS	REDBRIDGE
ROMFORD	SOHAM TOWN RANGERS	THAMESMEAD TOWN
THURROCK	TILBURY	WALTHAM ABBEY
WITHAM TOWN	WROXHAM	

League Matches commence on Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> August

4th June 2015

Jun 14, 2015, 3:02 pm

## JOHN PATMAN MEMORIAL TROPHY WINNER

FOR 2014/15 is:-

## DARRELL COX

The presentation of the silver plate was made to Darrell at the Club's social evening held in the Clubhouse on 4<sup>th</sup> June. Well deserved recognition for his 38 goal haul – all the more remarkable as injury and work restricted his appearances to 30 from a possible 49 games

The Trophy is awarded annually in memory of our long term supporter, John Patman , who sadly passed away in 2013 and thus missed our hugely successful final two years as a Level 5 Club

14th May 2015

May 14, 2015, 8:18 pm

# NOW ITS OFFICIAL - WE ARE A RYMAN LEAGUE CLUB

Below is a copy paste of an e-mail received by the Secretary today from the FA Leagues & Clubs Manager:-

***Good evening John***

***I am writing to advise you that at a meeting of the Leagues Committee held earlier today the promotion of Haringey Borough FC to Step 4 of the National League System was confirmed.***

***The club has been allocated to the Isthmian League Division One North for season 2015/2016.***

***Regards and best wishes for the season ahead.***

***Mike***

***Mike Appleby***

***Leagues & Clubs Manager ,Football Services Division***

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