



Midweek Update – Season 2012/13 No.28

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Ryman Premier

THE top two, Whitehawk and Wealdstone, both won 2-0 on Tuesday to extend their advantage over the rest of the field.

Whitehawk saw off **Cray** at East Brighton Park with second-half goals from Raphael Rossi-Branco and Hakeem Araba.

Wealdstone remained nine points behind with two games in hand after their victory at **East Thurrock**. Peter Dean scored ten minutes before half-time and Wes Parker added the second in the 50th minute. Stones are six points clear of third-placed Canvey, who had no game.

Canvey themselves are two points ahead of **Lowestoft** and **Concord**, who fought out a 1-1 draw. Jason Hallett's header gave hosts Concord the lead on the stroke of half-time and Lee Smith replied 20 minutes after the break.

Margate moved up to sixth, trailing the pair above them only on goal difference. George Purcell, signed last week from Tonbridge, made it three goals in two games with one in each half as **Leiston**'s long trip from Suffolk ended with a 2-0 defeat.

Bury are a point further back after their 3-1 home win over bottom club **Thurrock**. Craig Parker's early goal brought a quick reply from Lewwis Spence before two free-kicks from Sam Reed, in the 23rd and 78th minutes, settled the outcome. John Sands then headed against the bar as he tried in vain to extend his lead in the division's golden boot race.

Kingstonian could have moved into fourth place with a win, but instead slipped back to ninth after going down to a lone goal at **Harrow**, a 36th-minute penalty by Garry Jones. Lewis Taylor almost equalised with a header that struck the bar.

Hendon continued their surge up the table by winning 2-1 at **Hampton** and, having been in a relegation place two months ago, they are within four points of the play-offs. Junior Morias scored twice in eight first-half minutes, the first a penalty, to set up their 2-1 victory at Hampton, for whom Charlie Moone replied on the hour.

Enfield Town put most of their relegation fears behind them with a 2-1 success at **Wingate** after an unpromising start. Spencer Bellotti headed a third-minute opener for the hosts, who broke away after Enfield made a mess of their own corner. Scott McGleish levelled it with a penalty before half-time and Mark Kirby headed the winner on the hour.

Carshalton looked set to cement their position in the bottom two when they trailed 2-0 at half-time at **Lewes**. But another of the floodlight failures which have haunted Sussex clubs all season meant that there was no more play.

Ryman North

A LAST-GASP goal by substitute Petrit Elbi earned **Aveley** a 1-0 home win over **Harlow** on Monday, lifting Millers from fifth to second in the table.

On a bitterly-cold night at the Mill Field, the visitors dominated the first half without being able to create any clear chances. Aveley came more into the game after the break but there were still no real openings at either end and it looked certain to finish goalless.

Then, in the second of three minutes of added time, Millers were awarded a free-kick 20 yards out. The positioning of the wall looked suspect and Elbi made the most of it, drilling a shot into the corner of the net and beyond the reach even of giant keeper Bertrand Bossu: an Albanian striker beating a French goalkeeper.

The race for the title remained open after leaders **Maldon** continued their inconsistent form with a 2-1 defeat at **Sudbury** on Tuesday.

Goals late in the first half from Dave Cowley and James Baker did the damage. Jamie Guy pulled one back with a 78th-minute penalty and, after Sudbury's Rhys Darg was sent off, James Robinson missed a late chance to equalise.

Grays, who have three games in hand, reclaimed second place and closed the gap to ten points as Jack West scored two minutes before the break to give them a 1-0 win at **Brentwood**.

Heybridge moved above **Thamesmead** into fourth place after snatching a 2-2 home draw with Needham Market. Jemel Fox gave the visitors a first-half lead and it looked all over when Tom Dew made it 2-0 in the 85th minute. But recent signing Grant Cooper pulled one back and Solomon Ofori levelled it in added time.

Witham, in sixth place, edged a little closer to the play-off places after Rob Whitnell netted the only goal of their home game with **Wroxham** with only two minutes left. But Witham who had earlier missed a penalty, are still nine points behind Thamesmead.

Soham maintained their distant play-off hopes by easing to a 3-0 home win over **Redbridge**. Luke Stanley scored twice in the first half and Robbie Mason netted his 19th league goal soon after the interval.

The losers remained a point ahead of bottom club **Ilford**, who were beaten by an 18th-minute goal from Austin Gacheru at **Chatham**.

Tilbury were 2-0 winners at **Potters Bar** thanks to a Sam Cutler penalty just after half-time and a Shamir Mullings header two minutes from the end.

There was another reshuffle in the leading positions on Wednesday, when a Stuart Zanone hat-trick led **Thamesmead** to a 4-1 victory at **Romford** and lifted them back into third place

Zanone opened his account on the half-hour and struck again five minutes later before making it 3-0 midway through the second half. Kurt Smith promptly pulled one back but the visitors, who made it ten successive wins, had the last word when Baff Addae netted in added time.

Waltham Forest took the lead in each half but had to settle for a 2-2 home draw with **Cheshunt**. Manu Dagher's opener was answered by John Megicks from the penalty spot and when Adrian Clifton put the hosts ahead again, Mark Twumasi replied within four minutes.

Ware eased their relegation fears on Thursday with a 3-2 home win over **Waltham Abbey**. They are now eight points clear of bottom club Ilford.

Two teams in the lower reaches of the table produced a thoroughly entertaining contest which was settled by a cool Tony Martin finish past advancing keeper Jake Whincup in the 86th minute.

The visitors took the lead on the half-hour when Liam Foster tripped Louis Bristow and Tom Bruno made no mistake with the resultant penalty.

A defensive slip allowed Jordan Gill to equalise in added time at the end of the first half and Martin put Ware ahead with a superb 25-yard strike just after the hour. James Peagram's well-taken effort made it 2-2 ten minutes later but Martin was to have the last word.

Ryman South

THE top three all had home games on Tuesday, and it was **Faversham** who lost ground in the battle for the title. They were held to a 1-1 home draw by **Ramsgate** in a game that had been reduced to ten-a-side before a goal was scored.

Faversham's Aidan Sherlock was sent off in the first half but the sides were even again when Ramsgate had Tom Chapman dismissed around the hour mark. Renford Tenyue then put the hosts ahead, but only for five minutes before Matt Bourne's own goal squared it.

So **Dulwich** evicted Faversham from second place with a 3-0 home win over **Walton & Hersham**. Danny Carr set the ball rolling with an early penalty, Ryan James added another just after the half-hour and Ellis Green wrapped it up 11 minutes into the second half.

Leaders **Maidstone** beat **Whitstable** 2-0 to remain five points ahead of Dulwich, who have three games in hand. Rory Hill opened the scoring after 25 minutes, Tim Olorunda added another at the same stage of the second half and Ollie Lee's dismissal ended any prospect of a late rally by the visitors.

Crawley Down moved up to fourth by hitting three unanswered goals at **Burgess Hill**. Luke Blewden put them ahead after ten minutes and Gabriel Odunaike added the second two minutes after the break. Kai Bichard missed a penalty for Hillians and Jamie Cade completed the scoring in the last minute.

At the other end of the table, bottom club **Three Bridges** moved a little closer to Walton Casuals, the side above them, with a 2-2 home draw against **Worthing**.

Bridges twice took the lead in the first half, through Elliott Romain and Joel O'Hara, with Jamie Brotherton replying for the visitors. Scott Kirkwood's penalty on the hour levelled the scores and Bridges could not regain the lead despite being handed a one-man advantage for the closing stages when Kirkwood was sent off.

Walton Casuals crashed 4-1 at home to **Chipstead** but still have a six-point cushion and two games in hand. Matt York's own goal handed Chips a lead which they maintained until the 70th minute, when James McShane equalised. Laurent Hamici, just signed from Tooting, promptly restored Chipstead's lead and he went on to complete a debut hat-trick with two more goals in the last five minutes.

Aaron Scott punished a poor clearance to give **Horsham** the lead after 15 minutes at home to **Eastbourne**. But recent Hornets signing Jordan Clarke was sent off just two minutes later and they paid the price. Ross Treleaven headed the equaliser after 35 minutes, Dan Bolwell put the visitors ahead before half-time and Matt Aldred completed a 3-1 victory with 14 minutes left.

There were no scoring at **Merstham**, where **Corinthian-Casuals** were the visitors, and there was an identical outcome 24 hours later at **Folkestone** as their battle with fellow play-off contenders **Sittingbourne** ended all square.

Monday 25th February 2013

Aveley
Elbi 90+2

Ryman North

1 - 0 Harlow Town 84

Tuesday 26th February 2013

Bury Town
Parker 10 S Reed 78, 23

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3 - 1 Thurrock 260
Spence 15

Concord Rangers
Hallett 45
East Thurrock United

1 - 1 Lowestoft Town 65
L Smith 65

0 - 2 Wealdstone 117
Dean 35 Parker 50

Hampton & Richmond Borough
Moone 60

1 - 2 Hendon 201
Morias 29 (pen), 37

Harrow Borough
Jones 36 (pen)

1 - 0 Kingstonian 147

Lewes
Match abandoned at half time due to floodlight failure with Lewes leading 2-0.

A - A Carshalton Athletic

Margate
Purcell 34, 70

2 - 0 Leiston 200

Whitehawk
Rossi-Branco 50 Araba 79

2 - 0 Cray Wanderers 90

Wingate & Finchley
Bellotti 3

1 - 2 Enfield Town 149
McGleish 37 (pen) Kirby 61

Ryman North

AFC Sudbury
Cowley 40 Baker 45+2

2 - 1 Maldon & Tiptree 159
Guy 78 (pen)

Brentwood Town

0 - 1 Grays Athletic 135
West 43

Chatham Town
Gacheru 18

1 - 0 Ilford 60

Heybridge Swifts
Cooper 87 Ofori 90+1

2 - 2 Needham Market 101
Fox 21 Dew 84

Potters Bar Town

0 - 2 Tilbury 48
Cutler 48 (pen) Mullings 88

Soham Town Rangers
Stanley 11, 32 Mason 53

3 - 0 Redbridge 75

Witham Town
Whitnell 88

1 - 0 Wroxham 60

Ryman South

Burgess Hill Town	0 - 3	Crawley Down Gatwick Blewden 10 Odunaikie 47 Cade 90	126
Dulwich Hamlet Carr 7 (pen) R James 32 Green 56	3 - 0	Walton & Hersham	253
Faversham Town Tenyue 69	1 - 1	Ramsgate Bourne 74 (o.g.)	131
Horsham Scott 15	1 - 3	Eastbourne Town Treleaven 35 Bolwell 43 Aldred 76	100
Maidstone United Hill 25 T Olorunda 71	2 - 0	Whitstable Town	1133
Merstham	0 - 0	Corinthian-Casuals	100
Three Bridges Romain 17 O'Hara 37	2 - 2	Worthing Brotherton 27 Kirkwood 61 (pen)	168
Walton Casuals McShane 70	1 - 4	Chipstead York 9 (o.g.) Hamici 71, 85, 89	89

Wednesday 27th February 2013

Ryman North

Romford Smith 66	1 - 4	Thamesmead Town Zanone 29, 35, 65 Addae 90+3	66
Waltham Forest Dagher 18 Clifton 57	2 - 2	Cheshunt Megicks 31 (pen) Twumasi 61	39

Ryman South

Folkestone Invicta	0 - 0	Sittingbourne	163
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Thursday 28th February 2013

Ryman North

Ware Gill 45+2 T Martin 61, 86	3 - 2	Waltham Abbey Bruno 29 pen Peagram 71	74
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RYMAN PREMIER	P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	Pts	GD
Whitehawk	30	9	4	1	36	14	9	4	3	32	22	62	32
Wealdstone	28	11	3	1	38	14	4	5	4	12	13	53	23
Canvey Island	28	9	3	4	28	18	5	2	5	16	17	47	9
Lowestoft Town	24	8	3	2	23	8	5	3	3	18	13	45	20
Concord Rangers	25	6	3	4	31	27	7	3	2	21	11	45	14
Margate	27	9	2	2	22	10	4	4	6	17	18	45	11
Metropolitan Police	26	6	4	2	24	16	6	4	4	19	20	44	7
Bury Town	29	6	2	7	20	23	7	3	4	25	24	44	-2
Kingstonian	27	8	2	2	30	15	5	2	8	21	27	43	9
Hendon	28	4	6	3	14	14	7	2	6	19	21	41	-2
Bognor Regis Town	28	5	2	6	13	15	6	4	5	21	17	39	2
Leiston	28	5	7	2	21	17	4	4	6	21	26	38	-1
Hampton & Richmond Borough	25	4	2	5	14	16	5	5	4	22	16	34	4
East Thurrock United	26	3	6	4	16	18	4	6	3	20	19	33	-1
Enfield Town	29	5	2	8	26	26	4	3	7	20	31	32	-11
Harrow Borough	28	6	2	8	27	28	2	3	7	10	19	29	-10
Lewes	30	4	5	5	18	20	2	6	8	24	35	29	-13
Cray Wanderers	29	2	2	9	13	30	5	6	5	26	29	29	-20
Wingate & Finchley	30	3	3	10	16	29	5	1	8	20	29	28	-22
Hastings United	26	2	9	2	18	20	2	4	7	11	23	25	-14
Carshalton Athletic	30	4	3	9	18	26	2	1	11	16	31	22	-23
Thurrock	23	3	3	6	16	17	2	3	6	10	21	21	-12

RYMAN NORTH	P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	Pts	GD
Maldon & Tiptree	30	14	2	0	55	19	8	2	4	29	14	70	51
Grays Athletic	27	9	4	1	36	14	9	2	2	23	9	60	36
Thamesmead Town	28	13	0	2	33	16	6	3	4	24	19	60	22
Aveley	28	10	1	4	35	18	9	0	4	38	21	58	34
Heybridge Swifts	30	10	3	3	48	26	7	3	4	37	17	57	42
Witham Town	30	7	4	3	23	12	7	2	7	24	25	48	10
Soham Town Rangers	28	6	3	5	28	24	8	2	4	40	31	47	13
Tilbury	27	7	2	4	29	19	6	4	4	21	19	45	12
Potters Bar Town	29	5	5	5	24	28	6	3	5	24	22	41	-2
AFC Sudbury	31	7	4	5	28	25	4	4	7	21	39	41	-15
Cheshunt**	30	7	1	7	31	28	5	3	7	27	33	37	-3
Brentwood Town	23	7	1	2	24	12	4	2	7	21	26	36	7
Needham Market	29	1	7	7	15	28	7	5	2	31	14	36	4
Chatham Town	30	5	2	9	24	26	4	5	5	22	26	34	-6
Romford	27	5	1	8	17	26	5	2	6	22	30	33	-17
Waltham Abbey	25	3	3	3	14	12	5	4	7	18	23	31	-3
Wroxham	25	5	3	5	29	21	3	3	6	16	20	30	4
Waltham Forest	30	4	3	7	16	23	3	3	10	24	34	27	-17
Harlow Town***	29	4	2	9	19	29	5	2	7	20	30	21	-20
Ware	30	3	2	10	17	38	3	1	11	20	44	21	-45
Redbridge*	28	1	1	10	8	37	3	2	11	15	42	14	-56
Ilford	28	1	5	9	13	41	1	2	10	5	28	13	-51

RYMAN SOUTH	P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	Pts	GD
Maidstone United	30	8	5	2	33	16	10	3	2	34	14	62	37
Dulwich Hamlet	27	11	2	1	36	10	7	1	5	22	20	57	28
Faversham Town	31	6	6	4	26	23	10	3	2	27	17	57	13
Crawley Down Gatwick	30	9	2	4	30	19	5	6	4	28	21	50	18
Leatherhead	28	6	1	6	19	15	10	1	4	28	16	50	16
Sittingbourne	32	6	7	3	26	19	6	5	5	27	19	48	15
Folkestone Invicta	30	8	6	2	26	18	5	3	6	24	20	48	12
Hythe Town	29	6	4	6	25	23	8	1	4	30	19	47	13
Ramsgate	30	4	5	6	18	19	9	3	3	21	14	47	6
Eastbourne Town	30	7	2	6	24	22	6	4	5	30	26	45	6
Worthing	32	5	2	9	29	34	8	2	6	31	26	43	0
Burgess Hill Town	29	5	3	5	19	19	5	8	3	21	18	41	3
Tooting & Mitcham United	30	5	2	9	22	36	6	2	6	20	22	37	-16
Chipstead	31	4	4	7	24	32	6	2	8	21	25	36	-12
Merstham	29	4	3	7	20	31	5	5	5	30	28	35	-9
Walton & Hersham	30	5	3	7	12	22	4	4	7	22	31	34	-19
Corinthian-Casuals	32	3	4	9	20	29	5	5	6	12	20	33	-17
Herne Bay	27	3	2	7	10	24	5	6	4	22	20	32	-12
Horsham	29	5	3	5	19	19	3	3	10	20	37	30	-17
Whitstable Town	30	4	3	8	21	24	4	2	9	18	26	29	-11
Walton Casuals	29	1	4	11	18	38	6	2	5	18	24	27	-26
Three Bridges	31	3	2	11	22	33	2	4	9	19	36	21	-28

* One point, ** three points deducted – fielding an ineligible player. ***Ten points deducted – financial rule breach.

(Kick Off times - Saturday and Sunday 3pm and Midweeks 7.45pm, unless otherwise indicated)

Saturday, March 2nd, 2013

Bognor Regis Town
Canvey Island
Carshalton Athletic
Enfield Town
Hastings United
Hendon
Kingstonian
Lowestoft Town
Metropolitan Police
Thurrock

Ryman Premier

v. Concord Rangers
v. Wingate & Finchley
v. Bury Town
v. Lewes
v. Hampton & Richmond Borough
v. Margate
v. East Thurrock United
v. Whitehawk
v. Wealdstone
v. Harrow Borough

Cheshunt
Grays Athletic
Harlow Town
Ilford
Maldon & Tiptree
Needham Market
Redbridge
Thamesmead Town
Tilbury
Waltham Abbey
Wroxham

Ryman North

v. AFC Sudbury
v. Waltham Forest
v. Heybridge Swifts
v. Soham Town Rangers
v. Aveley
v. Ware
v. Romford
v. Witham Town
v. Brentwood Town
v. Chatham Town
v. Potters Bar Town

Chipstead
Corinthian-Casuals
Crawley Down Gatwick
Eastbourne Town
Hythe Town
Ramsgate
Sittingbourne
Tooting & Mitcham United
Walton & Hersham
Whitstable Town
Worthing

Ryman South

v. Burgess Hill Town
v. Horsham
v. Merstham
v. Faversham Town
v. Walton Casuals
v. Dulwich Hamlet
v. Three Bridges
v. Herne Bay
v. Maidstone United
v. Leatherhead
v. Folkestone Invicta

Sunday, March 3rd, 2013

Cray Wanderers

Ryman Premier

v. Leiston

