

NON-LEAGUE FOOTBALL

Moran makes life harder for Yeovil

By Nicholas Harling

Yeovil.....2
Enfield.....2

THEY had to close the gates at Huish Park last night as the race to reach the Vauxhall Conference gathered pace.

But with honours even after a mighty tussle, the two ICIS League pace-setters will have to wait a while before the issue as to which of them returns to a higher level is resolved.

Yeovil could hardly have wished for a better start in front of the 8,007 crowd, the best in non-League football this season. Two goals up inside six minutes and apparently coasting, they were then hit, however, by an Enfield recovery sparked by the first of two goals from Paul Moran.

The first Yeovil goal came after three minutes. With his last contribution before being carried off, left-back Micky Engwell accepted Paul

Turner's pass to float over a ball that was neither cross nor shot but still nestled just inside the far upright. When Andy Pape then went full length to turn aside Howard Forinton's drive, Turner was first to the loose ball to double Yeovil's lead.

Their glee was short-lived. Following a mad scramble in which Graham Roberts cleared off the line, Moran scored with a low shot through a forest of legs. His second goal, from the penalty spot, came in the 38th minute after Rob Cousins had tripped Lee Endersby.

Yeovil: Pennock; Patmore, Cousins, Roberts, Engwell (Kemp 10); Clement, Gill, Fielder, Turner, Birkby, Forinton.
Subs: Harvey, Brown. **Booked:** Clement.

Enfield: Pape; Hannigan, McGrath, Carey, Carstairs, Moran, Tucker, Underwood, Endersby (St Hilaire 70); Marshall, May.
Subs: West, Edwards.

Referee: S Bennett (Redhill).

TOP OF THE TABLE

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
Yeovil.....	32	23	6	3	59	27	75
Enfield.....	32	22	8	2	72	24	74
Yeading.....	32	14	12	6	48	31	54
Purfleet.....	35	15	9	11	54	48	54



GOAL!... Yeovil salute Engwell's strike PICTURE BY STEVE ROBERTS

8,000 Watch Yeovil

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A HUGE crowd of 8,007 turned up at Huish Park last night for what was billed as an ICIS League title decider.

And it was estimated that 1,000 more were locked out, including a number of sea-son ticket holders, as Enfield fought back for a draw after going two goals down in the first seven minutes.

Micky Engwell, apparently recovered after being stretchered off in the 3-2 win against Aylesbury on Saturday, beat goalkeeper

Andy Pape with a shot inside his far post after five minutes.

Two minutes later a shot by Howard Forinton was fumbled by Pape and Paul Turner - who was in the Enfield team that beat Yeovil at Huish Park last season - snapped up the rebound.

Yeovil appeared to be well in control at that stage,

but Engwell broke down in the ninth minute with a recurrence of his ligament injury and had to go off.

Although Yeovil reshuffled their formation, Engwell's thrust down the left was badly missed and four minutes later Enfield got a goal back through Paul Moran.

He pounced to fire home following a free-kick which caused panic in the Yeovil

defence. The home side might have scored another on 26 minutes when the uncertain Pape miskicked a clearance against Turner and the ball rebounded wide of the post.

But Enfield equalised in the 38th minute when Lee Endersby - the £19,000 winger turned down a move to Yeovil earlier this season - was tripped by Rob Cousins on the edge of the box and Moran sent goalkeeper Tony Pennock the wrong way with the penalty.

Enfield had the better of the early play in the second half and Shaun Marshall forced Pennock to make a good save.

The later stages of the game belonged to Yeovil, however.

Forinton looked ever more dangerous as he began to find some space and he brought an excellent save out of Pape.

Then Warren Patmore headed against the bar from a Graham Roberts cross.

The draw against a side unbeaten away this season means that Yeovil maintain their one-point lead at the top of the table.

Both sides have ten games to play, with Yeovil needing a good result at Staines Town on Saturday as Enfield have a much better goal difference should they match their points tally.