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The Woodwork Live Script

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(PRES JOSH) This is the Woodwork Live and here's today's headlines

(PRES WILLIAM) (OOV) The Harsh Reality of National League struggles, as clubs just scratch the surface of safety

(PRES JOSH) (OOV) Stevenage success continues, following an incredible FA Cup Run and the benefits it's brought to the club

(PRES WILLIAM) (OOV) Finishing off with an exclusive interview with football financial expert Kieran Maguire

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(PRES JOSH) Good afternoon and welcome. I'm your host, Josh Walker.

(PRES WILLIAM) And I'm William Edeki. It's great to be here with you today.

Conversational Tone

(PRES JOSH) We began with the excitement that has been the National League this season. As Wrexham continue to break records, their domination expands far beyond the pitch. From celebrity appearances to former premier league players . Wrexham have made their mark

(PRES WILLIAM) But what's the impact of big spending owners in a league where some teams remain part-time? And what does this all mean for the future of national league football? // Josh Walker Reports

(VT - National League 2;28) (The Woodwork News.)

(PRES JOSH) On a lighter note, League 2 side Stevenage has had an exciting time this season.

(PRES WILLIAM) Not only are they currently sat (3rd) in the league table, but an exhilarating F.A Cup run beating the likes of Premier league side Aston Villa back in January.

(PRES JOSH) We investigate how this success has impacted the side financially. George Taylor Reports.

(VT - Stevenage 1:56) (The Woodwork News)

(PRES WILLIAM) Not only has George Joined us in Studio today to discuss all things finance, but we caught up with the - Price of Football, author and podcast co host- Kieran Maguire.

(PRES JOSH) Kieran shares his expert opinion on the promotion battle in the National League and the financial impacts of domestic cup competitions in England.

(VT - Kieran Maguire 1:14) (EFL Distributes itself)

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(PRES JOSH) With less than 90 Days till New Zealand Kicks off the 2023 World Cup, Fifa have been in the headlines, but not in the way you may think.

(PRES WILLIAM) Despite the ethical and moral concerns that surrounded FIFA for the 2022 Qatar World Cup including those of women's rights, Fifa President Gianni Infantino has recently called out both commercial sponsors and broadcasters insisting they need to be willing to pay more for the Women's game.

(PRES JOSH) An interesting move considering the recent controversies including Naming and then dropping Visit Saudi as a sponsor

(PRES WILLIAM) We also asked Kieran to share his thoughts on FIFA regarding the Women's World Cup and their recent business moves.

(VT - Kieran Maguire 1:49) (Next Few Years)

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Light & Friendly Tone

(PRES JOSH) We've talked about Big spending owners // the financial realities of an FA cup run // and the recent news with the 2023 World Cup around the corner.

(PRES WILLIAM) It's clear that many factors are at play when it comes to football and finance. // We'll be keeping a close eye on Fifa's next move, and like always, keep you updated with all things football.

(PRES JOSH) That's all the time we have for today's show. Thanks for joining us here at the WoodWork Live. I'm Josh Walker...

(PRES WILLIAM) And I'm William Edeki // We'll see you next time

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