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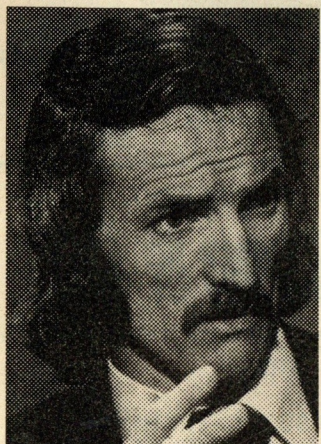
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ROBERT DANIEL... a firm believer in sponsorship.

"Unless the F.A. get down off their high horses clubs like Torquay... may not be there in future."



DEREK DOUGAN... in trouble with the F.A.

Plymouth Argyle are solidly in favour of sponsorship — in many different forms — as a lifeline for football clubs in these days of difficult economic circumstances.

This was made abundantly clear this week by Club Chairman Robert Daniel who weighed in with his view on the controversial Kettering Town issue which has thrown into focus the whole question of the viability of sponsorship in the eyes of the Football Association.

"Unless the F.A. get down off their high horses on this subject, clubs like Torquay, Stockport, Luton and Southport may not be there at all in the near future", he said.

The F.A. who permit Admiral to blazon their name across the England track-suits, have been at loggerheads with Kettering and their manager Derek Dougan over the use of the name of a tyre company on the Town shirts.

Mr. Daniel's opinion is that the F.A. have got to take a more realistic attitude towards the whole question of sponsorship at a time when many clubs are threatened with going out of existence altogether.

On the Home Park front, Argyle are pinning their faith in the future of sponsorship to help boost the club's finances and make for the smoother balancing of the annual books.

Mr. Daniel stressed that it was not only match sponsorship the club were inviting. Help in the direction of matters like the provision of kit — a costly item these days — was welcome. And ground advertising, plus advertising in the Pilgrim, were areas where they would encourage more participation.

Argyle will be seeking more big firms like Vospers to co-operate with them in this field. And Mr. Daniel promised that the club would be looking into the whole question of ground development for next season.

Like a handful of other forward-thinking clubs, Argyle have, in reality, only scratched

the surface in the realms of sponsorship. The possibilities of this sort of big-firm backing are vast — and success of the cricket competitions run by John Player and Benson and Hedges, bear testimony to this.

Mr. Daniel and his fellow directors will be looking into other facets of fund-raising activities to provide more cash for the hard-hit coffers. Squash courts are just one suggestion which has cropped up, and there are others.

by DEREK HENDERSON

Mr. Daniel has never disguised his personal dream of Home Park being a multi-sport area centred around the soccer. The time is fast coming when clubs — and everyone hopes the lead will come from Lancaster Gate — will open their doors in a big way to sponsorship.

"We have an audience of 1,000,000 plus here in Plymouth and around us", said the Argyle chairman. "In terms of our own crowd, we have an average of 15,000 to back us. And when you think of numbers in other entertainment centres like the cinema, the theatre and so on, that's a tremendous lot of people".

What the F.A. allow Admiral to do on the England track suits, they should allow all clubs to do for the benefit of the game at large.

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The choices open to the Goalkeeper

Once a Goalkeeper takes possession of the ball the choices are the following: He can either throw the ball out, or kick the ball out to his colleagues.

With regard to throwing, this tends to be a shorter, more accurate delivery, and is particularly good for changing the area of play, for example after a goalkeeper has caught a ball from a cross.

The problem with throwing is that because the delivery is so much shorter there is always the danger of an immediate breakdown in the defending area of the field if the throw is inaccurate, and certainly I would always advise young goalkeepers not to throw into the central areas of the field where there are always likely to be a large number of opponents.

In the diagram, I have marked this area where I would advise goalkeepers not to throw the ball, the areas outside and to the flanks are of course the

safe areas to deliver the ball.

One final point to remember with the throw is that this in general terms should be thrown to the feet of a colleague so that he can decide where he will then move with the ball.

Kicking the ball is quite different, of course, and the general advantages are that the clearance has a better length and bypasses more opponents and this is certainly important if the kick can be taken early because it bypasses opponents who are then in

retreat.

There is, of course, the problem of controlling the ball from a high kick, and with young players this is particularly difficult but then if they are going to be good enough they need to have practice at receiving long kicks from their goalkeeper.

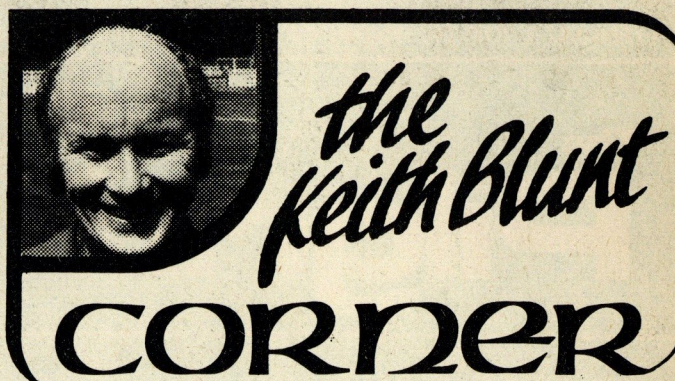
There is also the question that long kicks by the goalkeeper are less likely to incur any immediate defensive problems, since if the ball is given away by being kicked into touch, or by being intercepted on the half-way line his own defenders have time to re-organise, before the ball is played past them.

The two methods of kicking the ball are the alternatives of punting the ball or half-volleying. Most professional goalkeepers are adept at both, but with young 'keepers

they must be particularly careful with the half-volley since on uneven surfaces it is often liable to be a much more difficult technique than the punt which is a ball which is kicked before bouncing on the pitch.

In general terms the punt should carry further, though the half-volley may be more accurate when this type of kick is perfected. The goalkeeper is the first line of attack and therefore he needs to be aware of that responsibility and develop his techniques so that he can vary his distribution accordingly.

Their guiding maxim however should be "if in doubt, stay". This particularly so with away-swinging crosses for if the 'keeper feels he can't get to the ball he is much better advised to stay and protect the goal.



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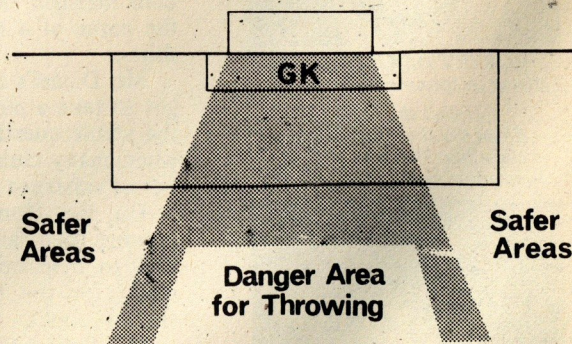
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My tip ~ Madeley or Oakes for Footballer of the Year



The Editor Says . . .

It is perhaps a shade early for the young man's fancy to turn lightly to thoughts of something other than soccer. But this is certainly the time of the year when I and my fellow members of the Football Writers Association begin to think about the direction of our annual accolade — the coveted Footballer of the Year award.

There are beginning to sprout, a number of imitators. Even the players now have their own award to fellow-players. But I think we writers can claim to have the original and still the most sought-after award simply because it is traditional, long-established, and comes from a body who have no axe to grind when it comes to plumping for one particular name.

Naturally enough, we differ among ourselves when it comes exactly down to what constitutes the player of the year. Once or twice, I felt the F.W.A. have forgotten that the spirit of the award dictates that it should be a player whose conduct can be held up as an example to school-boys and all youngsters aspiring to become professionals.

So who gets it this time? There are as usual, plenty of contenders.

For reasons which I have never been able to fathom, the trophy has invariably gone to someone participating in the F.A. Cup Final which follows the annual dinner by a matter of a couple of days.

Clearly, the thinking behind this is that an outstanding player who has helped his side get to Wembley must be in with a chance of getting the top honour.

But often the votes should go to players who week in, week out, have shown dedication, devotion and generally good behaviour.

It stands to reason that though Bill Bloggs of Scunthorpe may be just as worthy of the award as any of the past winners,

He will never get it because of the obscurity of his efforts outside his sphere.

But that is the penalty for not being famous. The players under scope are understandably going to be those who take the eye in the top divisions, those often on television, or playing on the bigger grounds constantly.

I've virtually made up my mind already because although there are a couple more months to go, the players I have in mind have already done more than enough to win it.

They are Paul Madeley and Alan Oakes — and at the moment I can't separate them.

Madeley will probably win it. This statuesque player is a manager's dream. He's played in every position in the Leeds side except goal, with distinction. What a man he is. You can put him in at full-back, centre-half, midfield, up front, and he'll be almost as good in any of those positions. There aren't many of this vintage around.

Oakes is another who must be a manager's delight. What a servant this man has been to

Manchester City. Consistent, loyal, dogged, one who would never 'do the dirty' to a fellow-professional — he qualifies on nearly every count you can think of.

He is the sort of man I would like to see win it every year. But then, of course, it's all down to a matter of opinion, and I may be in the minority.

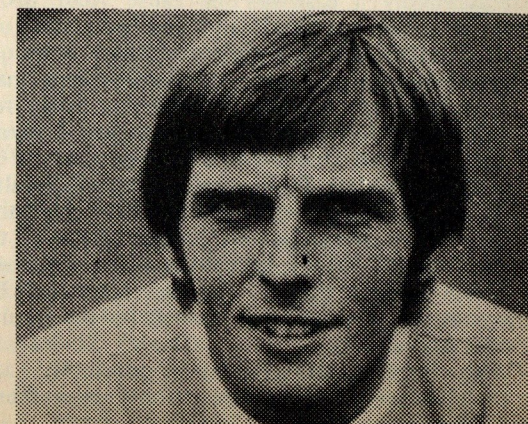
Colin Todd is a player who will surely win it one day. So will Trevor Brooking, a stylist and a model player. Tommy Hutchison of Coventry and Scotland is a mercurial player who brings skill and artistry to every game he plays in, and Emelyn Hughes is a player in total contrast, but one just as worthy of consideration.

There are men like Frank McLintock and Mike Bailey. Bailey doesn't stand much chance because Wolves aren't having a good League season, but in my view, that shouldn't stand in his way.

Or ought the award go to one of the spectaculars, the men who get the goals and give the excitement — Malcolm Macdonald, Ted MacDougall or Mike Channon?

Or then again, why not a man like Pat Jennings who has won it before and will probably win it again, so consistent is this remarkable goalkeeper?

If their teams had enjoyed a better season, players like Alan Woodward of Sheffield United or Howard Kendall of Birmingham would probably be well in the running. It's a fascinating



ALAN OAKES... must be a contender for 'Footballer of the Year' award.

contest, whichever way you look at it.

So it's either Oakes or Madeley for me and if they don't get it, I shall not be peeved. The majority choice decides, and that's democracy at work.

Just a word or two on sponsorship.

Derek Dougan has found himself at loggerheads with the F.A. with Kettering Tyres in the middle. The F.A. don't like the idea of commercial firms on players' shirts. But at the same time, they're quite happy to see the England team wearing a naval label.

That looks to be like a classic case of double standards, but then perhaps I can't see things quite as clearly as the honourable men of Lancaster Gate.

One way or another, sponsorship is the coming thing. Certainly we must resist the temptation to let it run riot. There has to be a mark somewhere, where it stops short, and that's not going to be easy to decide.

But while the F.A. feel that there should be one law for the national side and another for the Ketterings of their world, they will be open to ridicule.

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Chief Coach Alan Brown leaves Argyle

Alan Brown, Argyle's Chief Coach, has parted company with the club. Manager Tony Waiters explained in a statement last week: It is simply a case of one man's ideas and methods not always dovetailing with another's. Nothing more.

There had been a number of difficulties in the working relationship which finally came to a head yesterday. This led to the Club finishing with his services. The Vice-Chairman, Mr. P. Skinnard, will be discussing with Alan Brown the settlement of the contract in the next day or two.

"Alan Brown's influence at the Club has been a considerable one. There is no doubt in my

mind that the Club is in the 2nd Division now because of Alan Brown's contribution last season. The timing of this decision was not chosen. It occurred because Alan Brown and I had reached a point of no return.

There is no question of Alan Brown being made a scapegoat for our recent results. As Team Manager of Plymouth Argyle I accept absolute responsibility for every result produced by the Club. My job is to select the right players, the right team and the right men to prepare the team and I must rise and fall by the results of my selections. So I take the full responsibility and would not want it any other way".

SCOUTING AROUND GLASGOW GREEN

On a recent scouting trip, Mick Hill and I had arranged to meet a gentleman who had offered to do some scouting work in Scotland for us.

For convenience we offered to meet this gentleman at Glasgow Green, since the team that he is concerned with was playing at that particular spot.

Mickey and I, as strangers to Scotland, were both under the impression that we would be going to a Hackney Marshes type area where there would be a large number of soccer pitches.

Imagine our astonishment when indeed we did find the Green, and indeed there were a large number of football pitches - 20 in all - but in fact the whole area was red and not green, for Glasgow Green is a red shale area.

The 20 pitches are clustered together with only five or six yards between touchlines, and five or six yards between goals, so that the ball from one game is continually being driven or punted on to another pitch, often going through two sets of goals.

The area is alive with football. All ages were represented on the day we were there, and whilst conditions were freezing and the shale was quite solid, there was an important Semi-Final for senior players in the open age bracket and on the pitch next door to it, just as important, a game for a group of 14-year-olds.

We were watching a game for boys in the 18 age group, but walking around and having a good look at the area the one quality common to all the pitches was a passionate commitment to the game, a total conviction to the cause, both vocal and physical.

The noise of the games really was quite incredible. Not only were supporters and players alike involved noisily in comments between themselves and the Referee, but whilst watching one game spectators like Mike Hill and myself were very aware of other games going on in the area.

No quarter was given or asked, in spite of the conditions, and no allowances were made for the surface which was really quite difficult. There was just a blind commitment to producing a result.

As a consequence the games were good to watch, but really quite different to games which one would expect to see in Central Park on grass.

They appeared to be faster, and there was certainly more volleying of the ball. Rarely was a player at any level seen to put his foot on the ball and slow the game down. The total intent seemed to be to get the ball forward into the opponents' penalty area as early as possible, and there give everything in order to try to get the ball between the posts.

As a result of the poor surface, goalkeeping was a hazardous business, for not only was the red shale uneven and solid, but there was also ice in the goalmouths, and therefore goalkeepers were not seen to dive but rather to spread themselves in order to try to get to the ball.

by Keith Blunt

One couldn't help remarking when coming away that, with that sort of enthusiasm and intensity of commitment, the young players would have a great opportunity to develop.

Glasgow, of course, has always been a very good area for the recruitment of young players, and whilst Glasgow Green is only one area of the city, if what we saw on that Saturday was typical of the competitive spirit in which the game is played, then it is not surprising that it has produced the number of players it has.

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"HELLO, HOW ARE THINGS DOWN AT PLYMOUTH?"

A very good friend of mine, Jim Kenyon, rang me a couple of days after we lost at home against Notts. County. I've known Jim for well over 15 years now, since my Blackpool days, and I would say he and Verdi Godwin are the closest friends that I've got outside of my family.

Not unnaturally he watches the progress or otherwise of Plymouth Argyle as keenly as he can from a distance of 300 miles. He is the Secretary of the Lancashire Football Association and lives and works in Blackburn.

This is how the conversation went:

"You're having it a bit rough at the moment, Tony. How's that? Is the confidence low?"

"Well in these circumstances, Jim, it's bound to be a factor that's affected. When you've had a fight like we've had so far this season, full of ups and downs, it's bound to affect the confidence a little bit. But then, they've proved themselves on many occasions this season, and must know that they're good enough to do the job of staying in the Second Division this season."

"But are the players good enough?" said Jim. "I'm not suggesting they aren't, I'm just asking the question."

"Yes, there's no doubt about that. They're more than good enough, but of course in football that's only proved by results. Overall this season I've been well pleased with their performances, although quite obviously we've

had some bad times. But the game's about results, not performances, and that's why they've got to show a lot of grittiness in the present circumstances."

"But do you really believe the players are good enough? I only ask again because Managers often feel compelled to say things for psychological reasons."

"Yes I know that, Jim, and you know me I think, and I wouldn't try to kid myself or others. We have the basis for a very good side at Plymouth Argyle, and I would back this bunch of lads against most other teams in the Second Division."

"How are the Press treating you? Are they giving you plenty of stick?"

"No I wouldn't say that. To be quite fair I think they've reacted as one would expect. At the moment they're certainly not going against us, nor are they helping us. What I and the players must ex-

pect if we're not getting the right sort of results is criticism and we must accept it and get on with it."

"What sort of criticism are you getting?"

"The usual. Tactics. Selection. The local media is obviously very interested in the Club and what is happening at the Club, but they cannot be expected to really know what's going on behind the scenes, and therefore their criticism is either speculative or based on hindsight. Nevertheless, I would say that overall we've no cause for complaint."

"What about the supporters then? Are they getting behind you in the present circumstances? The reason why I ask is I was at the Blackburn game against Southampton the Wednesday before they played Argyle, and Blackburn went behind in the early part of the game and didn't draw level until the last 15 minutes. The crowd urged them on all the way. The Blackburn crowd did against you, of course, but then most crowds will when you go into a 2-0 lead."

"Well Jim, you know my feelings about this sort of thing. I don't think it's right to ask our Supporters to get behind

the team and cheer them on unless we've given them very good reasons to do so.

"To be quite frank, I think the supporters are a bit suspicious of me. I've made certain remarks in the past which I think have been misinterpreted. In actual fact they are very good. During the last three years to so-called faithful 5,000 has grown to the faithful 9,000 this season, and I think that's as much as we can ask at this stage."

Jim again: "But when you were at Liverpool you always said that the crowd there was worth a goal start, and always got right behind the team when they fell behind."

"Yes I did, and there's no doubt that the Liverpool crowd over the past 10 seasons or so has helped Liverpool towards their many successes. But I think the team earned that support because of what they did in previous years and convinced the crowd that not only were they a good team, but they were going to have a go whatever the circumstances. In other words, the team earned the crowd's support."

"But surely you wouldn't refuse their help at the present moment?"

"No, of course we wouldn't, and it would be very nice to have. But to be absolutely fair we have only given

them the last three years as evidence that there's a chance we could move on to better things, and that's not a long time. We must earn their support, and not expect it as a right."

"So it looks as if you'll have to go it alone for the rest of the season?"

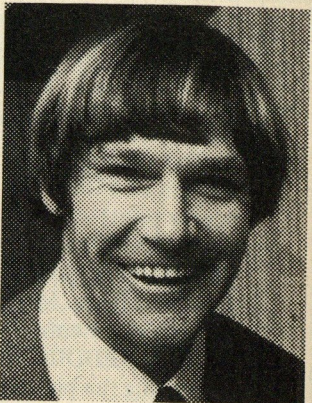
"Probably. Any help obviously would be greatly appreciated, but we must not expect it. What's more, we must do the job with or without it. And we will."

"Well, best of luck to you Tony - I hope you make it."

"We will, Jim, whatever luck we have. I've absolutely no intention of coming, cap in hand, to the Lancashire F.A. for occasional coaching jobs. I'd rather live and work here in the South West than in Lancashire. But don't quote me!!"

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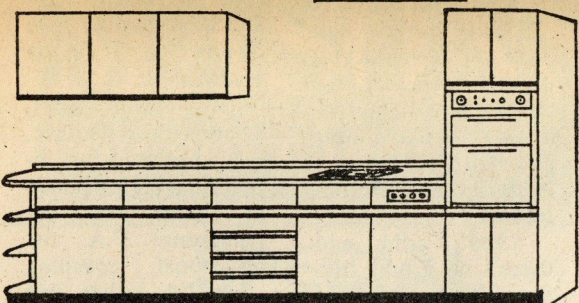
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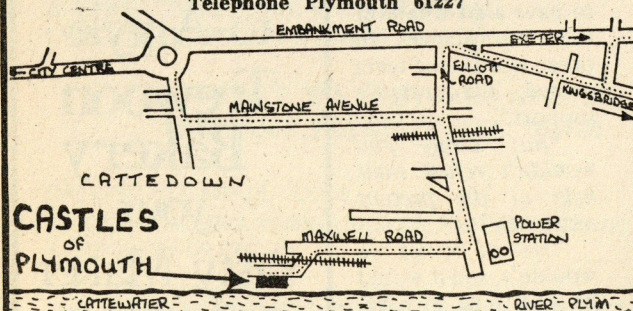


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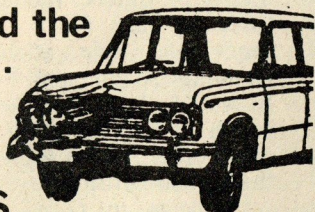
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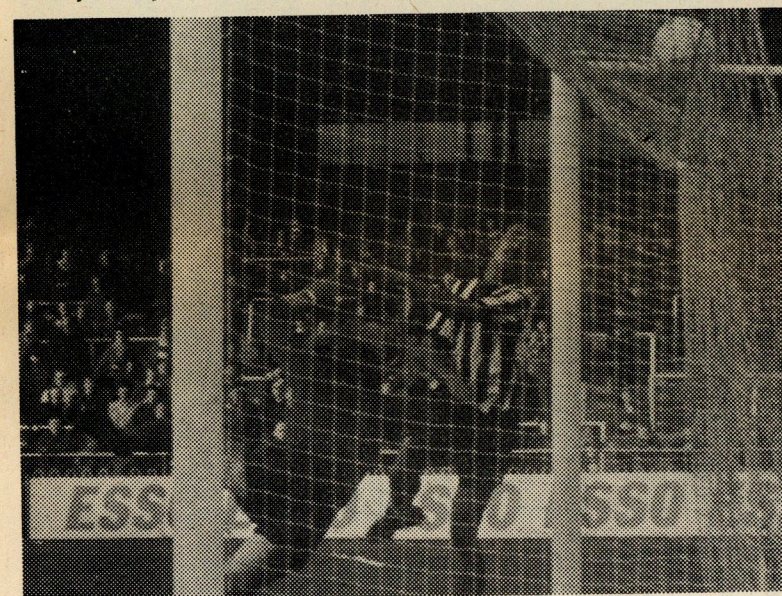
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ACTION GALLERY



County's 'Keeper, Eric McManus punches clear from Dave Sutton.



A goal for Argyle but, alas, too late — though a morale booster for Bill Rafferty, the scorer.



Paul Mariner in a heading duel with Notts County's Dave Needham.

Second Division SCENE

They're quaking on Wearside again. Will SUNDERLAND again miss out on the promotion act? If they do they can blame their brittle away performances. At Roker, they're well nigh invincible. Away from home they're fair game for too many teams and even out-of-touch FULHAM beat them 2-0 — Sunderland's seventh away defeat. They've won only three away games — and that's not promotion form.

★ ★ ★ ★ ★

The knack of winning while playing badly is one which helps a team into a higher division. This was the case with BOLTON in their game with PORTSMOUTH at Fratton Park. Ian Greaves' men were apparently well below par, but an own goal by Paul Went of Pompey saw the Lancashire side through for both points. I still fancy them for the Second Division title!

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At Bootham Crescent, they appear already to have the relegation blues. Their gates all season have been poor but YORK must have been dismayed to see only just over 3,000 present for a match with LUTON. A 3-2 win for the visitors plunged even more gloom into the northern city.

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CARLISLE, who at one time looked as though they might drop two divisions in as many seasons, are rallying to stay in Division II. They're still fairly strong at home — a factor which will probably keep them safe.

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Argyle fans will have to wait until Easter to see the Division II's current member of the full England squad in action. Mike Channon will be at Home Park (barring injury) on Good Friday, and the visit of SOUTHAMPTON on this day constitutes Argyle's final home League match of the season.

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CHELSEA seem certain to have to wait at least another season before they can get their place back in the top flight. Three home defeats in a row recently shattered their hopes of an end-of-season flourish and clearly Eddie McCreadie's young side need more time and experience before they can climb back to Division I.

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A look at the Division II table on the morning after Argyle's defeat by NOTTS COUNTY revealed a strange sight — ARGYLE, BLACKBURN and CHARLTON, the three promoted teams from last season, were all packed together on 25 points!

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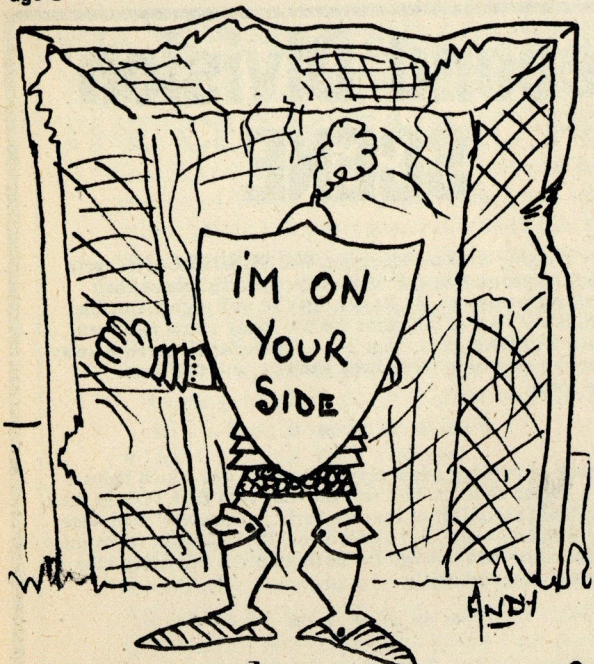
Burnley wanted to borrow NOTTINGHAM FOREST'S Terry Curran to help them in their fight against relegation from Division I. But Brian Clough said 'NO' and Curran promptly hit one of the goals that demolished BLACKPOOL 3-0.

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The ups and downs of soccer. CHARLTON's one-time skipper David Young and midfield man Richie Bowman were key members of the promotion side last season. Now they cannot get a regular place, and it is believed the Londoners would not stand in their way if suitable offers came along.

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One man Argyle fans will not be seeing when CHELSEA come to Home Park on March 6 is big Ian Hutchinson. He has decided to give up the game after an awesome time with injuries. Eddie McCreadie, his manager, describes him as 'one of the bravest players I know'.



"ARGYLE'S WARM UP BEFORE A MATCH."

TOM THE 'INJURY MAN' ON STRAINS

Strains are tension injuries of soft tissues other than joint structures. The most common are muscle and tendon strains.

Muscle strains occur frequently in all kinds of sport, and are known by a variety of terms, the most usual of which is "pulled muscle". They occur most commonly on the legs, on the front and back of the strong thigh muscles, and in the below knee calf muscles.

As a rule damage occurs suddenly and a searing pain is felt with loss of function. The affected muscle is tense and tender to the touch, and there is usually considerable local spasm and often marked swelling.

The force of the strain ruptures blood vessels which allows blood to escape into the tissues, distending them and forming a blood swelling or haematoma. The disability resulting from a strain is not due to the presence of the torn muscle fibres, but to the haematoma that forms.

The aims of treatment must be initially to get rid of the haematoma, specifically by promoting its rapid absorption. First aid immediately after injury is to apply cold compresses directly to the skin surface over the injured area of the muscle for 15-20 minutes.

Pressure is then applied to the site by means of sponge rubber or pad, held in position by a cotton-wool compression bandage.

An Elastoplast strapping is sometimes preferred below the knee. This pressure bandaging should be retained for 24-36 hours, with gentle, active, unresisted movements of the muscle.

After this period, hot and cold contrast bathing can be started at home, to speed up the absorption of the haematoma.

Exercises are carried out to ensure that the joints spanned by the injured muscle are put through their full range of active movement. Recovery time depends on the severity of the injury.

Fans Postbag WORK FOR SUCCESS

It is time we put the moaners we are lumbered with in their place. Do they write to the local Press in the belief that there the moans will fall on sympathetic ears.

Plymouth Argyle will still be in the Second Division next season, of that I am sure, and so too are many of their supporters.

The other week my favourite was on the bench, I would also like to see another favourite Barrie Vassallo, in the team. But! because they are not I do not write to the local Press.

Instead I shout and try to encourage the team picked, by the best manager we've had. Hoping that soon Bill Rafferty and Barrie will be back.

Remember as supporters of Argyle we also are part of the team. So come on and shout and encourage the part of the team on the park — all of them, not just our favourites.

It is about time we heard our part of the team shouting for 'ARGYLE' all around the ground, right through every match, whatever the score!

Success must be worked for!

DAVID BEARE,
33 Springhill,
Pennycross, Plymouth.

I have followed with interest the articles on the history of Plymouth Argyle F.C. but much of importance has been left out by the writer that I would forward the following information.

I have a complete record of the 'Western League' Cup Winners, including teams that were second and third from 1897 to 1905.

In the season 1903-04.

1st: Winners (IC) Tottenham H.
2nd: Southampton
3rd: Plymouth A.

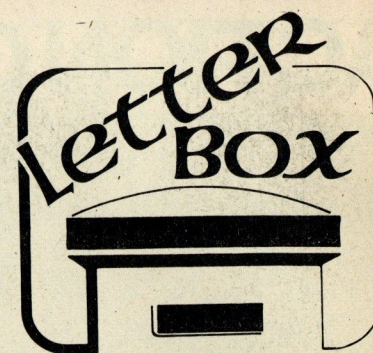
1904/05
1st: Winners (IC) Plymouth A.
2nd: Brentford
3rd: Tottenham H.

Apart from the above, here are some of the teams: Bristol City, Swindon, Reading, St. George, Millwall, Bedminster, Portsmouth.

I am also fortunate to have a picture of the Cup in question.

For the historian I have pictures of the following:

Frank Brettell, Former Manager — 'Golden Fleece', East Street. Francis Crouch, Secretary. A. Clark, Captain, Plymouth A.



T. Cleghorne, Trainer. J. W. Sutcliffe, Former International Rugger Player, before playing soccer. W. Home, Former Rugger player, player against Newcastle and was outstanding. J. W. Robinson, English International. Proprietor of "The Post Office Inn". R. Jack, on his appointment as Manager.

I wish Argyle, whose Home matches I never miss, continued success and trust my information of the "Western League" will be of use.

B. E. STIDSTON
71 Holland Road,
Peverell, Plymouth.

I'm pleased about the mini Pilgrim. I think its a great idea and am surprised that it wasn't done before.

My point about it is it's easy to hold up and it can be easily put in your pocket.

Thanks for putting my fan letter in the new mini Pilgrim.

It was quite a surprise to me, and my manager here was pleased to see the name of the hotel in your paper.

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TRIBUTE TO TONY

Ian St. John, manager of Portsmouth, paid the following tribute to Tony Waiters in "The Pompey Chimes," Portsmouth's match programme.

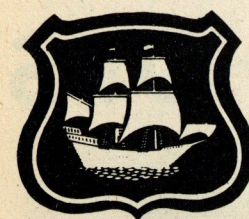
"Today links me once more with a man I have often come up against in my career — Tony Waiters. I first met him

when he joined the Liverpool coaching staff while I was still playing; then we spent a time together on the staff at Coventry City — now we are rival managers.

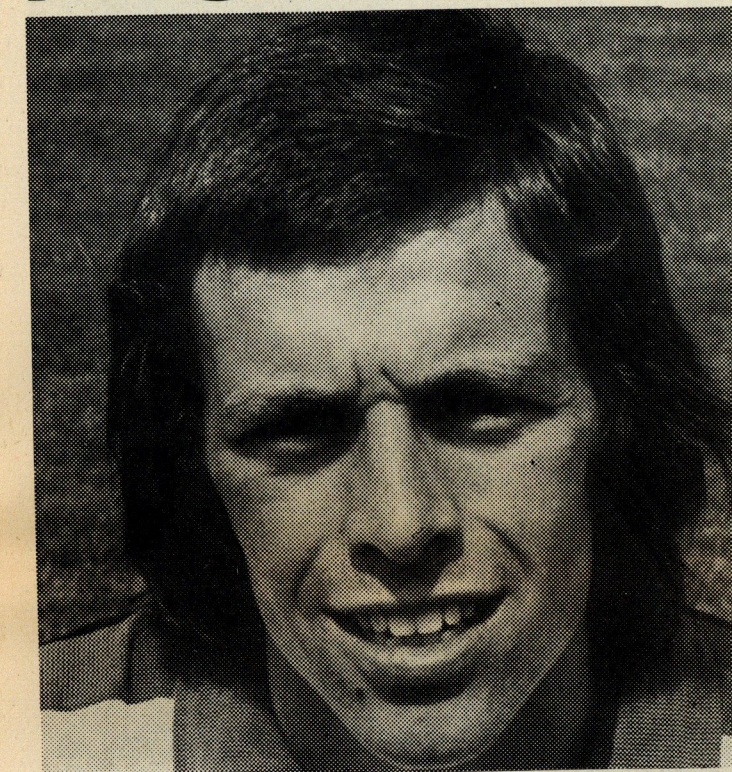
I have great admiration for Tony who is a tireless worker and progressive thinker. He is

currently at the start of his second Three Year Plan with Plymouth — the first went according to schedule achieving promotion as he forecast in the third year of his management.

I hope for his sake, his estimates for the second phase are as accurate.



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Married: Yes.

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Children: Nicholas.

Car: Ford Cortina.

Favourite food: Roast Beef and Yorkshire Pudding.

Favourite Drink: Dry Red Wine, Grapefruit Juice.

Favourite T.V. shows: 'Survival', and 'The Main Chance'.

Favourite singer: Bob Dylan.

Favourite players: Jimmy Greaves, Allan Clarke.

Favourite other team: Leeds United.

Pet Like: Pay Day.

Pet Dislike: Wearing a Tie.

Hobbies: Reading.

If you weren't a footballer what would you like to have been? Aircraft Pilot.

Biggest drag in soccer: Playing Badly.

Biggest influence in soccer: Keith Blunt and Alan Turner, (Manager Goole Town).

Biggest career disappointment: Not being Full Time in Argyle's Promotion Year.

Professional ambition: To exploit my capabilities to the full.

Previous Clubs: Barnsley and Goole Town.

Joined Argyle: 1974.

Debut: Preston 1974.

Personal ambition: To have a happy life.

Favourite other sport: Yorkshire Cricket.

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Phil Burrows tries his luck with a forward role during the match against Portsmouth. Chris Lawler ran in to challenge and Phil's shot was saved off the line.



George Foster pictured in a tussle with the Portsmouth defence.



Portsmouth's Chris Lawler is happy to concede a corner with Paul Mariner in close attendance during the Portsmouth game.

FOCUS ON . . . Luton's Men



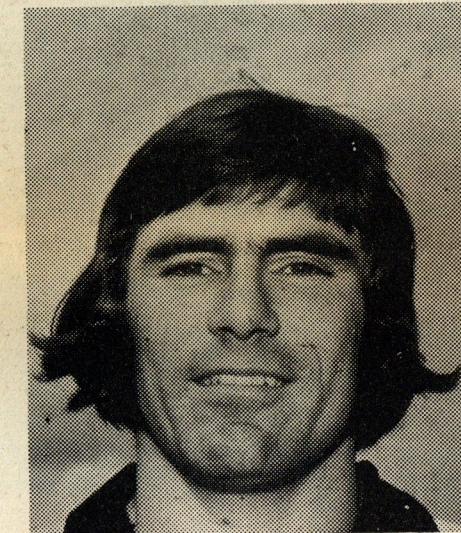
JIMMY HUSBAND



The Identical Twins — Paul (left) and Ron Fletcher



JIMMY RYAN



JOHN RYAN



ALAN WEST

WHO'S WHO AT LUTON

GRAHAM HORN. Goalkeeper. Served his soccer apprenticeship with Arsenal and, though he didn't get the chance to play in the First Division. He was ever-present when the junior Gunners won the F.A. Youth Cup in 1971. Earned a regular place on loan to Pompey. When he was due to return to Arsenal, Luton made a £25,000 offer and Graham made his debut for the Hatters at Blackpool in March, 1973.

JOHN RYAN. Defender. Started with Fulham in the First Division in 1967-68. Transferred to Luton two seasons later and has always been a member of the senior squad. Has twice (in 1970-71 and 1971-72) maintained an ever-present record. A member of the Hatters' team which won promotion to the First Division in 1974.

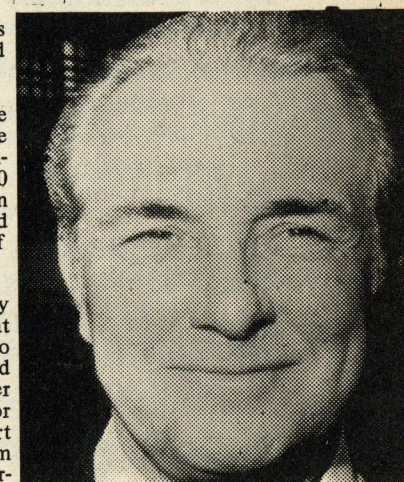
JIMMY RYAN. Midfield. As a lad, Jimmy always dreamed of playing for Manchester United and he realised that ambition in 1965-66 when he made his First Division debut. Made several subsequent appearances without quite establishing himself as a regular — for this was the era of Bobby Charlton, Pat Crerand and Nobby Stiles. Moved to Luton in 1970.

RON FUTCHER. Arrived at Kenilworth Road with his identical twin brother, Paul, in 1974. Initially eased in as substitute at Sheffield United in November,

but his first complete match was at Ipswich on Boxing Day when he hit the winning goal. Two days later, when Luton beat Wolves 3-2, young Ron claimed all three!

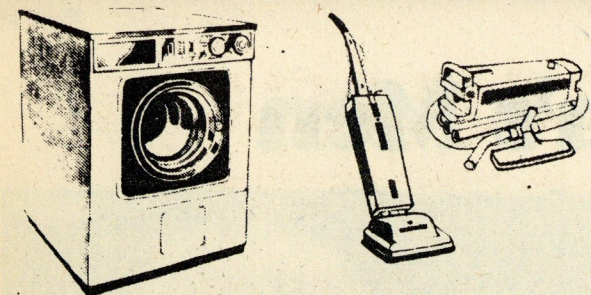
PAUL FUTCHER. Defender. Was only 16 when he made his League debut for Chester against Cambridge in March, 1973, but, so quickly did he establish himself that he was transferred to Luton for £100,000 little more than a year later! Was a big success in First Division football and now he is strongly tipped for representative honours. Is the identical twin of striker Ron who joined Luton at the same time.

ALAN WEST. Midfield. Took over as skipper mid-way through last season and it was under his guidance that the team made such a remarkable recovery and was so very unfortunate to suffer relegation. Won England Under-23 honours in his Burnley days but, after losing his place in the team which won the Turf Moor club promotion in 1972-73, he sought a fresh start elsewhere. Signed for Sunderland but they turned him down, following a medical. Luton had no such reservations, signed him for £80,000 early in the 1973-74 season.



Harry Haslam

Visiting Manager



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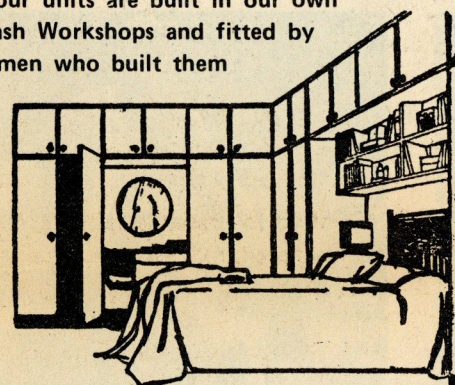
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Keith Barber; Graham Horn; Steve Litt; Steve Buckley; Paul Price.

Second Row: David Pleat (Coach); John Aston; Ron Futcher; Peter Spiring; Harry Haslam (Manager); Roy McCrohan
(Chief Coach); Adrian Alston; Jimmy Husband; John Seasman; Reg Game (Physiotherapist).

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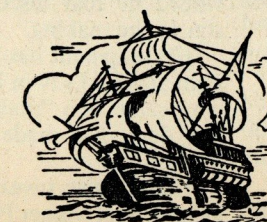
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Pulling out of Cash Crisis

Alan West, the former Burnley and England Under-23 international who now skips Luton Town, has been leading his players through the most traumatic few months in the club's history.

West and his team have been fighting for Luton's survival and, by concentrating in football, have conquered the fears which gripped everyone connected with the club when the crisis first broke.

"All the players had an inkling that the club was in some kind of money trouble but we had no idea of its extent," said West.

"We thought it would be around the £200,000-£300,000 mark. But when the real figure was revealed I was stunned."

The debts were more than £700,000 of which nearly £400,000 was owed to the bank.

"TREMENDOUS"

"But the manager Harry Haslam was tremendous. He shielded us from a lot of the pressures."

"He told us to concentrate on our football. We decided that we could do our bit by starting to win some games to draw the fans back."

"And that's just what we did with eight wins on the trot."

The spate of victories took Luton charging up the table to the fringe of the promotion race. A few more wins and they could be right back in the running for a speedy return to the First Division.

These are still anxious times for Luton but the crisis is over and they have now been officially reprieved from bankruptcy.

This was made clear recently by Mr. Dennis Mortimer, who became chief executive after a boardroom shake-up in November.

Interest alone is reported to be costing Luton £1,000 a week but Mr. Mortimer said: "With the bank's co-operation we have come to an agreement that will ensure our existence, though we still have a lot of hard work to do."

The threat that Luton would become the first major casualty of Soccer's economic recession was initially eased by the enforced sale of midfield star Peter Anderson to Belgium team

Antwerp for £70,000.

Much of Luton's troubles stemmed from the enormous costs which followed their arrival in the First Division and their failure to keep pace with the big boys — both in the playing and financial sense.

In May, 1974, Luton paid a record club fee of £100,000 to Chester for Paul Fitcher who, although only 17, was so highly rated in Fourth Division football that Manager Haslam was convinced he had discovered a big star in the making.

His judgment has been proved right and Paul's twin brother Ron who came as a "makeweight" in the deal, has made an equally big impact.

Haslam also invested £70,000 in Liverpool winger Peter Spiring, whose Anfield hopes were ruined by injury following his £60,000 move from Bristol City.

West also cost in the region of £100,000 from Burnley in 1973 and Jimmy Husband was a £70,000 buy from Everton the same year. And a £30,000 cheque was paid to Manchester United for winger John Aston.

PREMATURE

The Hatters were struggling sixth from the bottom of the table and there was premature talk of the club diving straight through the Second Division before they launched their dramatic revival at the end of November.

Norwich City ended their Cup hopes at the fourth round stage and their first League defeat for over two months was inflicted

We Beat Luton Home and Away!

Luton came to Home Park on the 28th September 1946 before a shirt sleeved crowd of 28,031.

Teams were Argyle: Shortt, Royston, Dyer, Stuttard, Dixon, Miller, Rawlings, Thomas (R), Thomas (D), Murphy, Strauss. — Luton Town: Duke, Beach, Anderson, Soo, Gager, Cooke, Steen, Daniel, Brice, Connelly, Waugh.

Argyle delighted the crowd with a fine first half show going in at the interval two

The pitch at Luton was playable with snow banked at the side of the ground.

Teams — Argyle: Shortt, Royston, Silk, Jones, Dixon, Dyer, Rawlings, Boyd, Thomas (D), Thomas (R) Tinkler. Luton: Bywater, Cooke, Lake, Soo, Gager, Gardiner, Waugh, Daniel, Billington, Connelly, Duncan.

Argyle had the crowd of 16,000 cheering after only six minutes when Bob Thomas netted after a great pass from Dave Thomas. Syd Rawlings

All our Yesteryears

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Luton Town

Away: Won 4 · 3

goals ahead scored by wingers Syd Rawlings and Bill Strauss.

But in the second half Luton put pressure on the Argyle defence with international Frank Soo pushing forward and ten minutes before the end Horace Gager reduced Argyle's lead.

The return game at Kenilworth Road was on the 1st February 1947. *The party left Plymouth with deep snow being cleared by hundreds of German P.O.W's and many Dartmoor villages cut off.*

DON SMITH

by promotion favourites Bolton Wanderers (3-0) at Burnden Park. But Luton bounced back again by drawing with Nottingham Forest (1-1, home) and beating York City (3-2, away) — despite having three key players missing through illness.

Manager Haslam's reputation for looking on the bright side is well known in football. And it looks as if Luton will come smiling through again — whether they get promotion this season or not.

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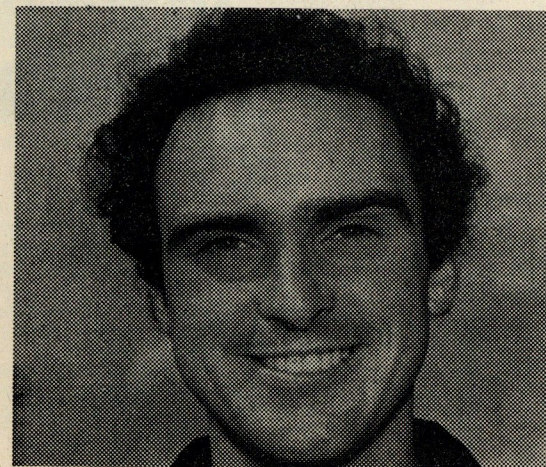
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John Aston

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Best, Bobby Charlton, Brian Kidd, Nobby Stiles and the rest of the United players were the toast of Europe after winning a famous victory.

But even the most distinguished Old Trafford stars could not outshine the glittering performance of John Aston, who played the game of his life.

John teased and tantalised the Benfica defence into complete submission. It was undoubtedly his finest performance ever and, overnight, he became as famous as his footballing father.

But soon after that triumph came tragedy when he broke a leg. Life was never quite the same again for the young winger at Old Trafford.

John Aston, senior, had been United and England's left-back during the immediate post-war period and young John followed in his father's footsteps by signing for the club as an amateur when he was 15 years old.

He helped United win the English Youth Cup in 1964 and made his first appearance in the League side at 17. Altogether he scored 25 goals in 139 First Division matches.

After recovering from his injury, John spent a long period in the Central League team and was happy to move when Luton Town agreed to pay £30,000 for his transfer in 1972.

"I was never really disappointed to leave United, contrary to what many people might have thought at the time" he recalls.

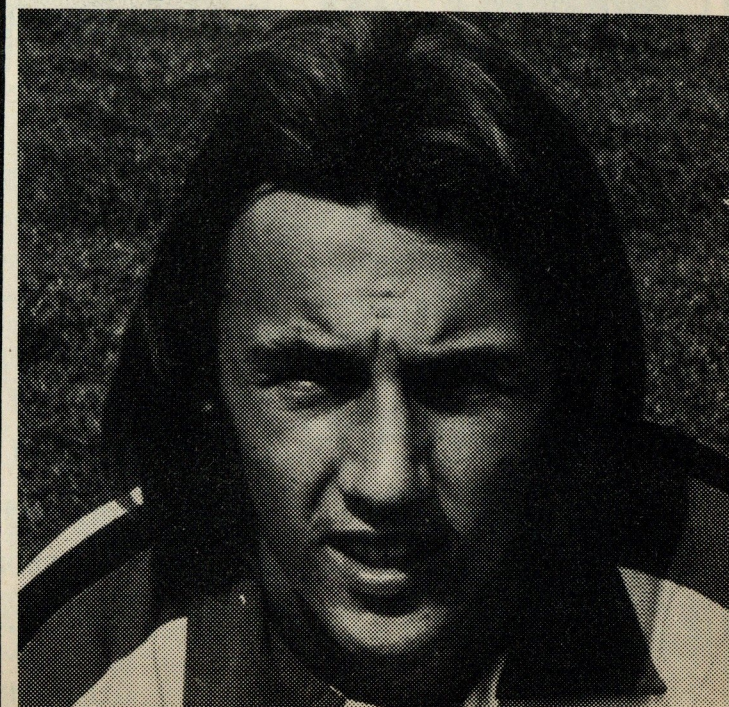
"I had been a Reserve player for 12 months and was told I might become a much better player if I left. I also had extra pressures on me because my father was famous there and that does cause problems".

Any doubts John may have had about Luton's potential to further his First Division ambitions were promptly settled a couple of years later when he and his team mates turned on the style to accompany Middlesbrough and Carlisle into the top league.

Home Park Diary

Fri. Feb. 27	Oxford	Football Comb	7.30
Sat. March 6	CHELSEA	Division II	3.00
Sat. March 13	Chelsea	Football Comb	3.00
Sat. March 20	HULL CITY	Division II	3.00

Apprentice Focus



NO 8 GRAHAM SATTERLEY

Graham Satterley was born in Devonport on May 3, 1958 and had always hoped one day to wear the colours of the team just across the city.

He went to school at Burleigh Secondary Modern, Peverell, where his favourite subjects were P.E., geography and English.

It was while playing in the Plymouth Youth Clubs League that he was spotted by Argyle and his first games for the club were on the tour of Germany in 1973.

Graham represented Plymouth schools at Under-14 level and also at Under-15. At college he is studying English Language 'O' level.

His first game for the Combination side was against Swindon last September. He likes playing best at outside-right, and his favourite player is Alan Ball.

His top other team is Everton, and his hobbies are watching TV films and playing most sports, particularly badminton.

His ambition? 'To do my best at everything,' and he says had he not been a professional footballer, he would most liked to have taken up a craft with his hands.

Luton Town Salient Facts

Nickname: *Hatters.*
Ground: *Kenilworth Road.*
Colours: *Orange shirt with one navy and one white vertical stripe on left side, navy blue shorts.*
Chairman: *L. S. Hawkins.*
Manager: *Harry Haslam.*
Formed: *1885.*
Honours: *Division IV champions, 1967-68. Division II runners-up, 1954-55, 1973-74. F.A. Cup finalists 1959.*
Record gate: *30,069 v. Blackpool, F.A. Cup, 1959.*
Highest goals aggregate: *243, Gordon Turner, 1949-64.*
Highest season scorer: *Joe Payne, 55, Division 3 S, 1936-37.*
Most capped player: *Gordon Cummins, Eire, 19.*
Most League appearances: *Bob Morton, 494, 1948-64.*
Record transfer fee received: *£180,000 from Newcastle for Malcolm Macdonald, May, 1971.*
Record transfer fee paid: *£100,000 to Burnley for Alan West, Oct. 1973, and to Chester for Paul Fitcher, May, 1974.*
Record win: *12-0 v. Bristol Rovers, Division 3 S, April 1936.*
Record defeat: *1-9 v. Swindon, Division 3 S, Aug. 1921.*
Managers since the war: *George Martin, Dally Duncan, Syd Owen, Sam Bartram, Bill Harvey, Allan Brown, Alec Stock.*

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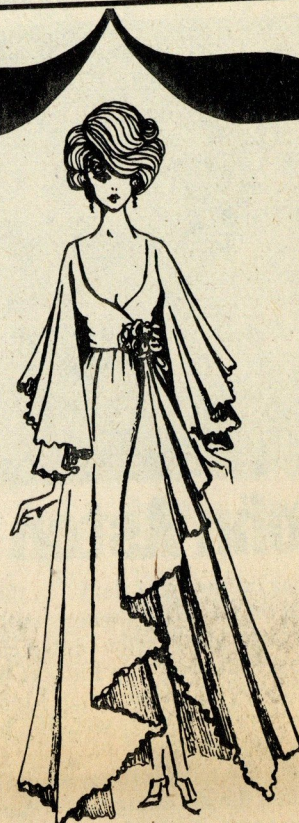
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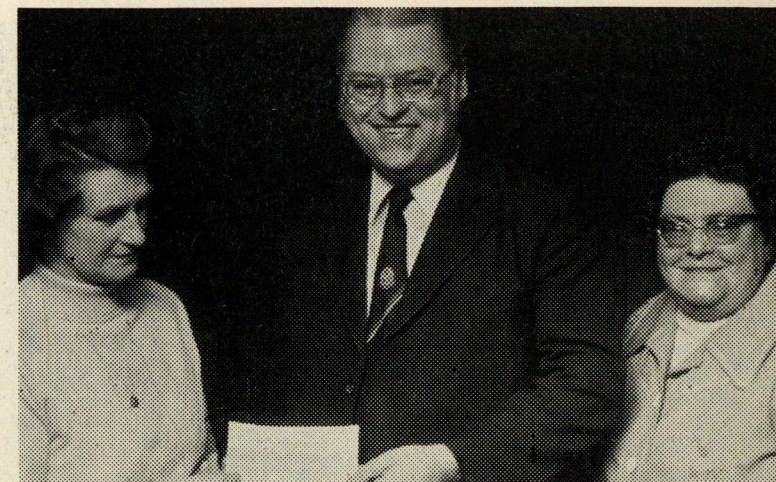
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Argyle players pose for a picture as they wear their new track suits for the first time.

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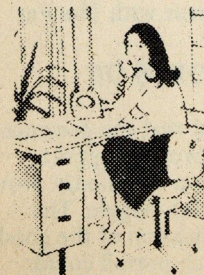
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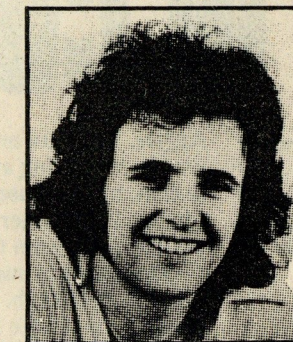
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I bet you're only just finished Saturday's copy haven't you. It's damn good reading isn't it!

I have been trying to get our own Page 3 girl in here but Keith Blunt says it will put him off his coaching tips – can't blame him really 'cos if she was in this page I'd be reviewing her 'B' side 'not arf'.

But still that's life – we can't have it all ways but I'm still going to work on it.

This evening let's keep warm by giving it a load of enthusiastic support and get behind the lads. Let's try and make the faithful 5,000 into a faithful 10,000. That's not many but it's a start.

Anyway here are tonight's reviews so enjoy your game and stay tuned to 261 Plymouth Sound (YOUR RADIO STATION).

Rhonees Rocketing Risole.

Convoy (C. W. McCall).
Bye for now.

Title: I wanna stay with you.
c/w Fifteen Summers.

Artists: Gallagher and Lyle.

Label: A & M AMS 7211

A very pleasant medium temp record. Nice words and well produced. Should get a lot of plays. The flip side is a slow tempo folk type song. Very relaxing, should unwind you after a hard day's work.

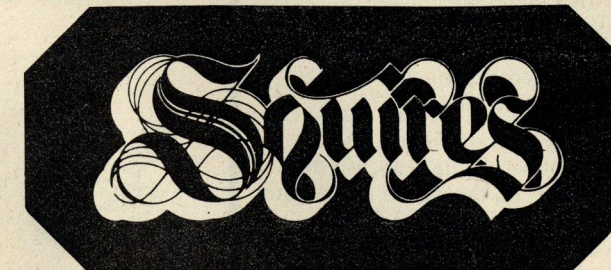
Rating ★★★★★

Title: Dance Dance.
c/w It happened one night.

Artist: Madeline Bell.
Label: PYE records – 7N 45576.

This is a record by the female singer in 'BLUE MINK'. A very catchy fast tempo. Disco dancer. Well produced. The flip side is a slower soul record. Both sides should do well in the discos.

Rating ★★★★★



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COMMERCIAL MANAGER BILL PEARCE WRITES

P.A.S.A. IN CORNWALL

I arrived home last Monday night – or was it Tuesday morning? My assistant, Gordon Martin, was later still for he lives at Newton Abbot. It had been a long days night all right! But one which will, I am sure, yet prove to have seen the start of something new and great.

We had spent the evening down in Bodmin. They sell a good pint of beer in the "Hole in the Wall" at the bottom of Crockwell Street. They served a damned good steak at the Entrecote Steak Bar too! I am always extremely happy to be in the Bodmin area for this was my patch as a youngster. In fact my memory takes me back too many years to when I tasted alcohol for the first time ever – in Bodmin. An experience I suppose most of us remember – a Watney Brown Ale in the Old Masons Arms. Having been brought up in a sober Cornish home where the evils of drink were preached long and often, one treated the stuff with almost reverent respect, gingerly taking each sup and awaiting the effect. "After how many sups do the legs buckle?" As I said, a long time ago!

STRICTLY ON BUSINESS!

But we weren't in Bodmin for a night out! Far from it. We were there strictly on business! For we had the company of two staunch ARGYLE supporters, together with their wives. Melvin James and Terry Stanyer rarely miss a game at Home Park. Two more differing characters you would go a long way to meet! Melvin, Cornish born and bred, steady as a rock! Terry, an ex-Cockney policeman, who had the good fortune to meet and marry a Cornish lass and she had good sense to bring him back to the fatherland to settle. Their common ground, is a burning desire to see a truly successful team at Plymouth Argyle. They sensibly accept that it won't happen overnight. Nevertheless, they both took the trouble to write and telephone to enquire whether there was anything they could do to help the club in any way. I know their attitude to be typical of many supporters living throughout the entire South West.

WEALTH OF FEELING

There is a wealth of feeling, respect and goodwill towards the club. If you have any doubts on that score make your way to the Argyle tent at the Royal Cornwall Show at Wadebridge come next June. Many there are, who like Melvin and Terry, would welcome the opportunity of closer involvement with

Argyle. They are not content with simply spectating at 21 League games a season, but because of their geographical setting, it is neither economical nor practical for them to travel to Plymouth to participate in supporters activities at The Far Post Club. We have therefore decided that if the fans can't come to us we will go to them! Which is precisely why we were in Bodmin last Monday night.

ACTION GROUPS

For it is our intention to eventually organise regional branches, action groups, of the Plymouth Argyle Supporters Association in populated centres throughout the South West. Consideration is being currently given, for example, to establishing branches in the following areas: – Bodmin/St. Austell; Penzance; Bude/Launceston; Barnstaple/Bideford; Okehampton; Taunton, and if support demands it in other centres as well.

INTER-BRANCH ACTIVITIES

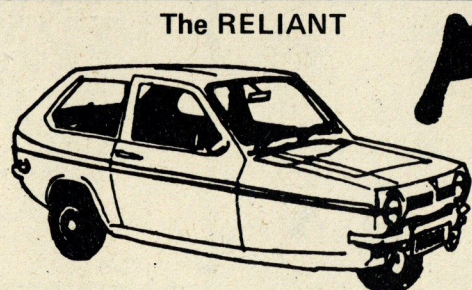
We went to Bodmin to sound out opinion! Were our hopes and ambitions reasonable? Were there sufficient supporters living in the area to operate? Were there suitable premises for a regular meeting place? What type of activities would appeal? Melvin and Terry were optimistic. We, on our part, could assure every assistance from Home Park in the organisation. The creation of an interesting programme – personalities, and so forth. The eventual programme of

activities would certainly vary from branch to branch. One would, however, like to see inter-branch activities extended to include involvement with The Far Post.

ORGANISED CORPS OF SUPPORT

We are convinced that the presence of such organised corps of support throughout the region could only prove beneficial to Plymouth Argyle. The harnessing and application of the goodwill and ability which prevail could greatly assist us in a number of ways – public relations and fund raising to mention but a couple. Initially we plan to operate the experiment in the mid-Cornwall area – Bodmin or St. Austell would suit ideally as the centre. We shall lend to the venture our very considerable experience and resources. For we believe in the scheme. Next Monday we shall be continuing our exploratory investigations at a meeting in St. Austell. Soon will follow decision day! I'm confident that the situation has not been misjudged; we have done our homework.

At the end of the day, however, it will be our fans in mid-Cornwall who will determine whether or not this is to be yet another successful venture. I would be most interested to hear from interested supporters living in the area at this stage.



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SOUTHERN JUNIOR FLOODLIT CUP

Sept. 30th WOLVES Away, Lost 1-2
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SOUTH WEST AND WALES YOUTH LEAGUE

Sept. 9th	EXETER	H	0-0
Sept. 15th	TORQUAY Holmes	A	1-0
Sept. 22nd	CARDIFF	H	0-1
Oct. 6th	BRISTOL ROVERS Trusson	H	1-1
Oct. 15th	SWANSEA Hurn, Uzzell, Megson.	A	3-1
Oct. 22nd	BOURNEMOUTH Trusson	A	1-2
Oct. 28th	MANGOTSFIELD Trusson (2), Megson, Batterton, Uzzell.	A	5-1
Oct. 30th	HEREFORD Levy, Trusson	H	2-1
Nov. 3rd	HEREFORD Trusson	A	1-2
Nov. 11th	EXETER Trusson, Thompson	A	2-0
Nov. 25th	BRISTOL ROVERS	A	0-0
Dec. 17th	TORQUAY Menherick, Satterley, Megson, Trusson	A	4-1
Dec. 30th	MANGOTSFIELD Crenigan, Satterley, Watts (o.g.)	H	3-0

Jan. 21st	TORQUAY (Cup) Trusson (3), Crenigan, Levy	H	5-1
Feb. 4th	TORQUAY (Cup) Megson (2)	A	2-0
Feb. 9th	CHELTHENHAM Levy (2), Trusson.	A	3-1
Feb. 16th	BOURNEMOUTH	H	0-2

ARGYLE JUNIORS

Sept. 6th	LAKESIDE ATHLETICS Won 8-1 N. Batterton (4), T. Perkins, A. Coxon, K. Bloor, S. Pearce.
Sept. 13th	WOODFORD METHODISTS Won 8-2 A. Coxon (2), N. Batterton, S. Barker.
Sept. 20th	STONEHOUSE U.Y.C. Won 8-0 S. Barker (2), G. Foster, A. Coxon, A. Clarke, K. Skinner, G. Ball, T. Pooley.
Sept. 27th	SOUTHWAY Y.C. Won 5-0 Coxon, Barker, Clarke, Pooley.
Oct. 4th	HOLIDAY INN Lost 2-7 Clarke, Coxon.
Oct. 11th	HILLPATH RANGERS Won 18-0 S. Barker (6), K. Bloor (4), A. Coxon (2), A. Clarke (2), K. Skinner (2), S. Kelly, T. Pooley.
Oct. 18th	B.R.S.A. NOMADS Won 5-1 K. Bloor (2), A. Clarke, S. Barker, A. Lowe.
Oct. 25th	WOODFORD METHODISTS Won 4-0 A. Coxon, A. Clarke (2), G. Ball.

Nov. 1st	STONEHOUSE U.Y.C. Won 9-0 A. Clark (3), S. Barker (3), A. Coxon (2), K. Bloor.
Nov. 8th	HILLPATH RANGERS Won 6-1 M. Barlow, A. Coxon, S. Barker, A. Clark, T. Pooley, J. Phillips.
Nov. 15th	LAKESIDE ATHLETICS Won 3-1 J. Phillips (2), A. Clarke.
Nov. 22nd	SOUTHWAY Y.C. Won 9-2 A. Clarke (5), S. Barker, K. Skinner, T. Pooley, J. Phillips.
Nov. 29th	HILLPATH RANGERS Won 21-0 J. Phillips (7), K. Bloor (5), G. Ball (3), S. Barker (3), T. Pooley (2), A. Coxon (1).
Dec. 6th	SOUTHWAY Won 11-2 G. Ball (5), J. Phillips (3), K. Skinner (2), A. Clark (1).
Dec. 13th	SOUTHWAY Won 6-1 A. Coxon (2), K. Bloor (1), J. Phillips (1), A. Clark (1), K. Skinner (1).
Dec. 20th	WOODFORD METHODISTS Won 6-3 A. Coxon (2), K. Bloor (2), S. Barker (1), A. Clark (1).
Jan. 3rd	LAKESIDE Won 10-1 A. Coxon (3), A. Clark (5), G. Ball, T. Pooley.
Jan. 10th	B.R.S.A. Nomads Won 3-0 S. Barker (2), A. Clark (1).
Jan. 17th	STONEHOUSE U.Y.C. Won 2-1 S. Barker (2)
Jan. 24th	STONEHOUSE U.Y.C. Won 12-2 K. Bloor (3), S. Barker (2), J. Phillips (2), A. Clark (2), K. Skinner, S. Kelly, A. Coxon.

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Aug. 16	NOTTM. FOREST	A 0-2	13,083	1	2	3	4	5	6	7*	8	9	10	11							
Aug. 19	BOURNEMOUTH	H 2-0	10,849	1	2	3	4	5	6	7		9	10	11	8						
Aug. 23	CHARLTON ATHLETIC	...	...	H 1-0	14,201	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8		10	11		9					
Aug. 26	A.F.C. BOURNEMOUTH	...	...	A 2-1	3,203	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8		10	11		9					
Aug. 29	SOUTHAMPTON	...	...	A 0-1	18,000	1	2	3	4	5	6	7		9*	11	S	10	8					
Sept. 6	SUNDERLAND	...	...	H 1-0	18,304	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8*		10	11		9	S				
Sept. 10	NOTTM. FOREST	...	...	A 0-1	8,948	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8		10	11		9					
Sept. 13	ORIENT	...	...	A 0-1	5,010	1	2	3	4	5	6		8		10	11	4	9					
Sept. 20	YORK CITY	...	...	H 1-1	12,818	1	2	3	4	5	6		8		10	11		9		7			
Sept. 24	LUTON TOWN	...	...	A 1-1	9,226	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8		10	11		S	9*				
Sept. 27	OLDHAM ATHLETIC	...	...	A 2-3	8,227	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8		10	11		9					
Oct. 4	CARLISLE UNITED	...	...	H 2-1	12,875	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8		10	11		9					
Oct. 11	BOLTON	...	...	H 2-3	14,595	1	2	3	4*	5	6	7	8	S	10	11		9					
Oct. 18	WEST BROMWICH ALBION	...	...	A 0-1	11,149	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8		10	11		9					
Oct. 21	BLACKBURN ROVERS	...	...	H 2-2	14,371	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8		10	11		9					
Oct. 25	OXFORD UNITED	...	...	H 2-1	12,491	1		3	4	5	6	7*	8		10	11		S	9		2		
Nov. 1	CHELSEA	...	...	A 2-2	20,096	1		3		4	6	7	8		10	11		9		2	5		
Nov. 4	NOTTS COUNTY	...	...	A 0-1	9,239	1		3		6	4	7	8		10	11*		S	9		2	5	
Nov. 8	PORTSMOUTH	...	...	H 3-1	13,885	1		3		5	6		8	11	10		7	9		2	4		
Nov. 15	BRISTOL ROVERS	...	...	A 0-0	14,121	1		3	4	5	6	7	8*	11	10			9		2	S		
Nov. 22	WEST BROMWICH ALBION	...	...	H 2-1	17,380	1		3	4	5	6	7	8		10	11		9		2			
Nov. 29	HULL CITY	...	...	A 0-4	5,098	1		3	4	5	6	7	8		10	11		9		2*	S		
Dec. 6	BLACKPOOL	...	...	H 1-2	12,422	1		3	4	5	6	7*	8		10	11		9	S	2			
Dec. 12	CHARLTON ATHLETIC	...	...	A 0-2	7,095	1		3	4		6	7	8*		10	11		S	9		2	5	
Dec. 20	NOTTM. FOREST	...	...	H 1-0	10,545	1		3	4		6	7	8		10	11		9		2	5		
Dec. 26	BRISTOL CITY	A 2-2	21,471	1		3		5	6	7	8		10	11		9		2	4		
Dec. 27	FULHAM	H 4-0	24,054	1		3		5	6	7	8		10	11		9		2	4		
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Jan. 10	ORIENT	H 3-0	11,934	1		3		5	6	7	8		10	11			9		2	4	
Jan. 17	SUNDERLAND	A 1-2	29,737	1		3	S	5	6	7	8		10	11		9*		2	4		
Jan. 24	BRISTOL CITY	...	...	H 0-0	17,887	1		3	4	5	6	7*	S		10	11			9			8	
Jan. 31	BLACKBURN ROVERS	...	...	A 1-3	8,525	1		3	4	5	6		7					10	9		2	8	
Feb. 7	NOTTS COUNTY	H 1-3	11,576	1		3	4	5	6*	7		S	11		10	9		2	8		
Feb. 14	PORTSMOUTH	A 0-2	9,509			3	4	5	6	7		8	11		10	9					
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Apr. 19	FULHAM	A																			
Apr. 24	CARLISLE UNITED	A																			

Goal Getters

First team	Combination
13 Mariner	6 Hamilton
11 Rafferty	Pearson (2 pens)
6 Johnson (one pen)	Harrison, Vassallo
2 Burrows, Randell	Rioch (1 pen),
1 Horswill, McAuley,	Foster, Hardcastle
Delve, Green,	Megson, Satterley,
Hague (o.g.), Wile	Banton, Trusson,
(o.g.), Foster	Sutton.
Total: 41 (35 League,	Total: 34.
2 F.A. Cup,	
4 League Cup).	

SECOND DIVISION													
	Home						Away						
	P	W	D	L	F	A	P	W	D	L	F	A	P
Bolton	27	8	3	1	25	8	7	5	3	20	16	38	
Bristol City	29	8	5	1	26	8	6	5	4	19	16	38	
Sunderland	27	13	1	0	32	7	3	3	7	9	17	36	
Notts C	28	8	4	1	22	5	6	3	6	17	19	35	
W.B.A.	28	5	7	1	15	8	7	3	5	15	17	34	
Southampton	27	12	1	1	34	10	2	4	7	14	23	33	
Luton	28	8	4	2	24	12	5	2	7	17	20	32	
Oldham	29	10	4	1	27	16	2	4	8	16	28	33	
Bristol R	29	6	6	3	16	11	3	6	5	12	18	30	
Fulham	27	6	5	3	21	11	4	4	5	14	18	29	
Carlisle	29	6	5	3	17	14	3	4	8	12	23	27	
Nottm For	28	6	1	7	18	14	3	7	4	14	14	26	
Chelsea	28	5	4	4	17	14	4	4	7	17	24	26	
Blackpool	28	5	6	3	17	18	4	2	8	9	16	26	
Orient	26	7	4	3	14	8	1	5	6	8	16	25	
Blackburn	28	4	6	5	16	16	3	5	5	11	15	25	
Plymouth	30	9	3	3	26	15	0	4	11	9	27	25	
Charlton	26	7	1	4	23	18	3	4	7	12	25	26	
Hull	28	6	3	6	18	15	3	2	8	11	21	23	
Oxford	28	3	6	6	15	19	2	4	7	12	20	22	
Portsmouth	29	2	5	8	8	15	3	1	10	11	27	16	
York	29	4	1	9	16	25	1	4	10	8	27	15	

Combination Details

1975	Opponents	1975	Opponents
Aug. 16	LEICESTER CITY	H 1-1	Harrison
Aug. 23	SWINDON TOWN	A 2-0	Foster, Satterley
Aug. 27	WEST HAM UNITED	H 2-0	Hardcastle, Harrison
Aug. 30	BRISTOL CITY	H 0-1	
Sept. 6	IPSWICH TOWN	A 0-2	
Sept. 13	FULHAM	H 0-0	
Sept. 17	ARSENAL	H 3-1	Rioch (2) Pearson
Sept. 20	TOTTENHAM HOTSPUR	A 1-4	Rioch (pen)
Sept. 27	LUTON TOWN	H 2-3	Megson, Harrison
Oct. 4	ORIENT	A 1-1	Pearson
Oct. 11	CHELSEA	A 0-4	
Oct. 18	BIRMINGHAM CITY	H 1-0	Pearson
Oct. 29	OXFORD UNITED	A 1-0	Vassallo
Nov. 1	A.F.C. BOURNEMOUTH	H 2-0	Banton, Pearson (pen)
Nov. 8	BRISTOL ROVERS	A 4-2	Hamilton (3), Trusson
Nov. 12	ARSENAL	A 0-0	
Nov. 15	SOUTHAMPTON	H 1-1	Vassallo
Nov. 18	CARDIFF CITY	H 1-0	Hardcastle
Nov. 22	BIRMINGHAM CITY	A 0-2	
Nov. 29	SOUTHAMPTON	A 1-1	Hardcastle
Dec. 3	READING	A 1-3	Sutton
Dec. 13	SWINDON TOWN	H 4-0	Foster (2), Hamilton, Pearson (pen)
Dec. 20	LEICESTER CITY	A 2-1	Hamilton, Harrison
1976			
Jan. 3	CRYSTAL PALACE	H 1-0	Vassallo
Jan. 10	FULHAM	A 2-2	Vassallo, Hamilton
Jan. 17	IPSWICH TOWN	H 1-0	Pearson
Jan. 23	BRISTOL CITY	A 0-0	
Feb. 7	WEST HAM UNITED	A 0-3	
Feb. 10	QUEENS PARK RANGERS	A 0-1	
Feb. 18	CARDIFF CITY	A	
Feb. 27	OXFORD UNITED	H	
Mar. 6	A.F.C. BOURNEMOUTH	A	
Mar. 9	READING	H	
Mar. 13	CHELSEA	H	
Mar. 27	NORWICH CITY	A	
Apr. 3	LUTON TOWN	A	
Apr. 10	TOTTENHAM HOTSPUR	H	
Apr. 13	QUEENS PARK RANGERS	H	
Apr. 17	CRYSTAL PALACE	A	
Apr. 24	ORIENT	H	
Apr. 27	NORWICH CITY	H	
BRISTOL ROVERS	H	to be arranged.	

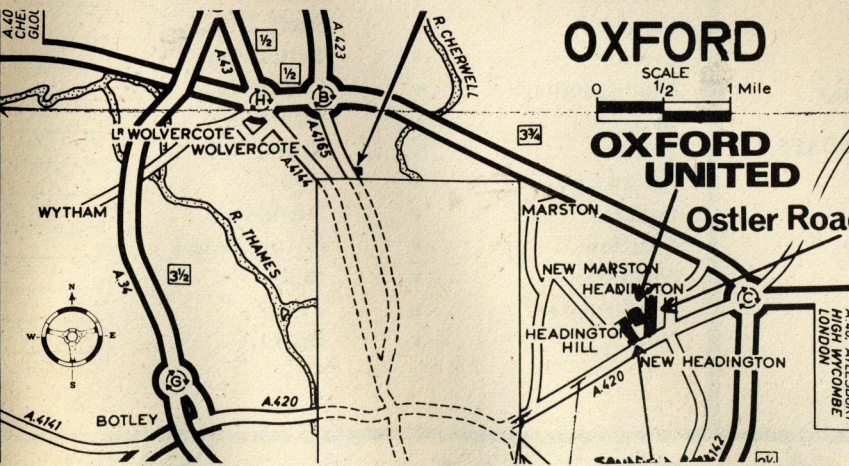
South Western League List

1975	Opponents	1975	Opponents
Aug. 16	LISKEARD	A 0-1	
Aug. 20	TAVISTOCK	A 1-1	Leigh
Aug. 23	PORHTHLEVEN	H 3-4	Walker (3)
Aug. 28	HOLSWORTHY	A 2-1	Barrett (2)
Aug. 30	SALTASH	A 0-3	
Sept. 3	OTTERY	A 1-1	Govan
Sept. 6	ST. AUSTELL	H 5-2	Barrett (2), Satterley, Megson, Trusson (pen)
Sept. 10	SALTASH	H 1-0	Rooke
Sept. 20	ST. LUKE'S	H 0-2	
Sept. 27	ILLOGAN (S.W.L.C.)	A 0-1	
Oct. 4	TORPOINT	H 3-2	Trusson, Levy, Rooke, K.
Oct. 11	ST. BLAZEY	A 0-2	
Oct. 25	BODMIN	H 1-2	Trusson
Nov. 1	BUGLE	A 1-1	Satterley
Nov. 8	TAVISTOCK	H 0-2	
Nov. 15	ELMORE	H 0-2	
Nov. 22	ST. AUSTELL	A 4-3	Trusson (2), Barrett, Menhennick
Dec. 6	OTTERY	H 3-1	Trusson, Levy (2)
Dec. 13	LOUIS	H 1-1	Barrett
Dec. 20	NEWQUAY	A 1-2	Barrett
1976			
Jan. 3	PENZANCE	A 1-0	Satterley
Jan. 10	LOUIS INTERNATIONAL	A 0-3	
Jan. 17	PENZANCE	H 0-0	
Feb. 14	ST. BLAZEY	H 6-0	Govan (2), Satterley (2), Levy, Megson
Feb. 21	ST. LUKE'S	A	
Mar. 6	TORPOINT	A	
Mar. 13	WADEBRIDGE	H	
Mar. 20	BODMIN	A	
Mar. 27	BUGLE	H	
Apr. 3	ELMORE	A	
Apr. 10	HOLSWORTHY	H	
Apr. 17	ILLOGAN	A	
Apr. 24	LISKEARD	H	
May 15	NEWQUAY	H	

Wadebridge (A) and Porthleven (A) to be arranged.

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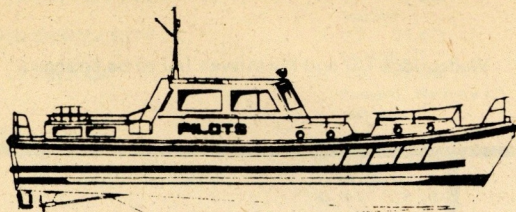
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Argyle

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Jim Furnell	1	Keith Barber
Mick Horswill	2	John Ryan
Phil Burrows	3	Steve Buckley
Dave Sutton	4	Brian Chambers
Mike Green	5	John Faulkner
John Delve	6	Paul Futchter
Colin Randell	7	Jimmy Husband
George Foster	8	Andy King
Paul Mariner	9	Ron Futchter
Bill Rafferty	10	Alan West
Hugh McAuley	11	John Aston
	12	Jimmy Ryan

Meet the Officials

REFEREE

PETER WALTERS (Bridgwater)

Began refereeing at college and officiated in the South Western League and Football Combination before promotion to the League line and supplementary list. Appointed to the full list in 1967. Has handled important games such as last season's England-Holland schoolboy international, the 1969 F.A. Amateur Cup final and was a linesman for an F.A. Cup semi-final in 1967. Married with three children. Headmaster, interested in gardening and photography.

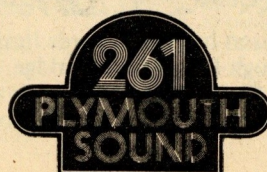
Linesmen: G. J. Cutler (amber flag)
M. S. Greenhalgh (red flag)

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Arsenal	v	Liverpool	_____
Aston Villa	v	Wolves	_____
Burnley	v	Sheff. Utd.	_____
Everton	v	Tottenham	_____
Middlesborough	v	Coventry	_____
Blackpool	v	Blackburn	_____
Bolton	v	Bristol Rov.	_____
Bristol City	v	Oldham	_____
Carlisle	v	Sunderland	_____
Charlton	v	Nottm. Forest	_____
Notts. Co.	v	Hull	_____
Southampton	v	Fulham	_____
York	v	Orient	_____

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