



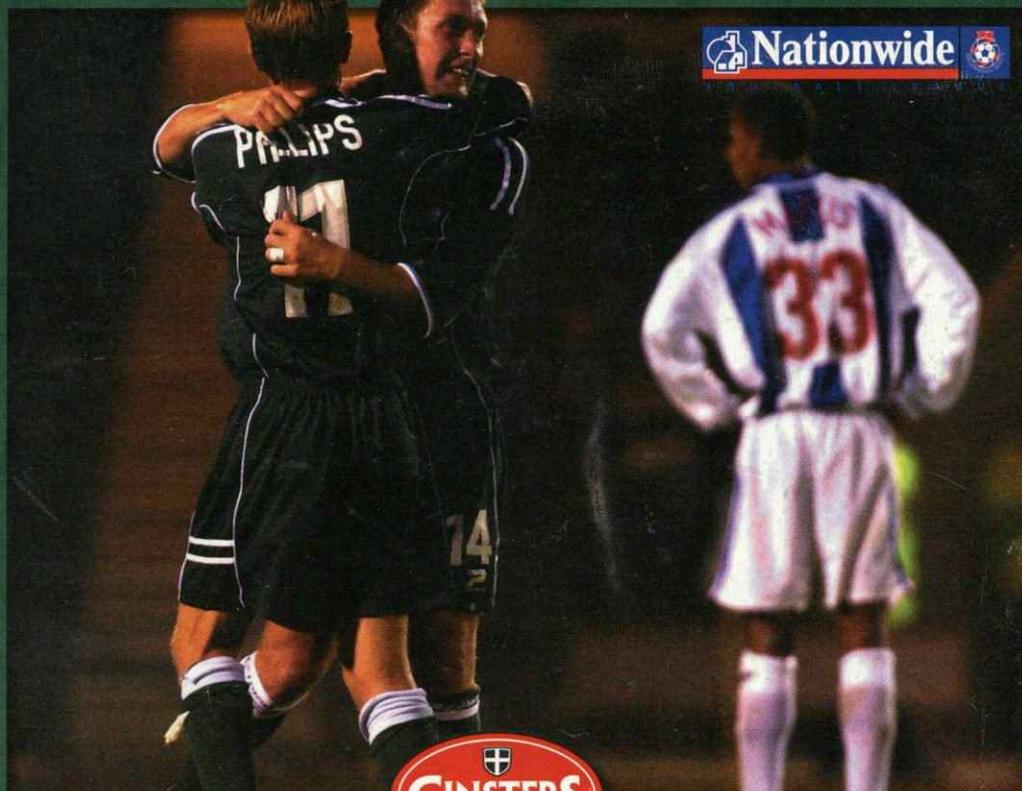
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## vs. Luton Town

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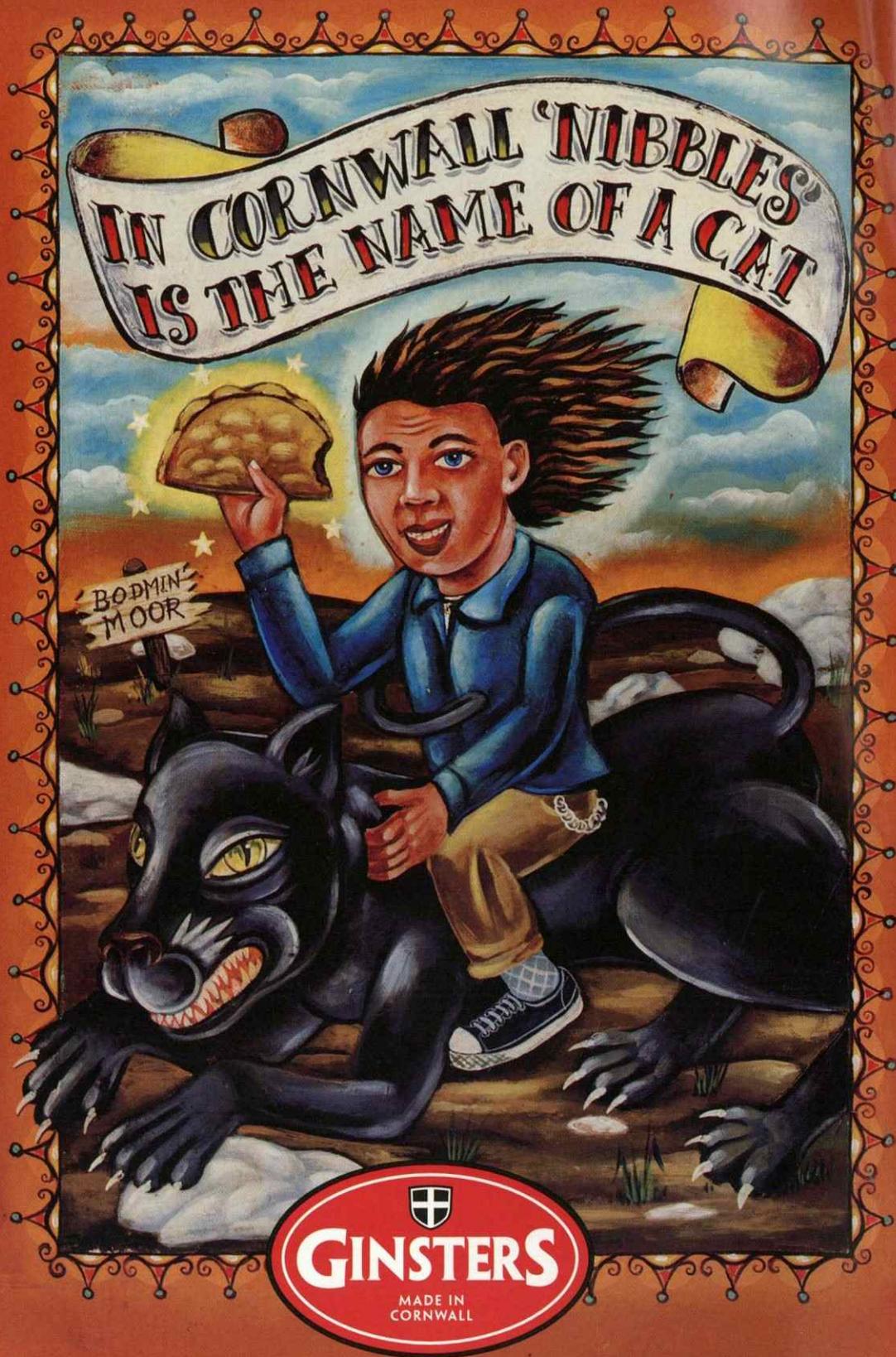
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# Sturrock Statement



*Welcome to Home Park for today's match with Luton Town.*

I am glad to be back with you today after my illness, I was here on the bench on Tuesday but as has been widely reported I had to retire to the medical room before the end of the game, hence missing the exciting final minutes.

Since Tuesday though I can report that I have got better each day, despite reports in the Scottish

papers that I was facing a major health scare. It was a viral infection that takes time to clear and despite being unpleasant should have no long-term effects. I intend to see all of today's match.

I am pleased to welcome back Joe Kinnear and Luton Town to Home Park. What a campaign we both had last season, when you consider the points total between the two teams, which must be a record. Luton accumulated 97 points, which would be enough to claim the title in any other season; they deserve your applause for their achievement.

I am convinced if it had not been for Luton never giving up in their chase we would not have made the record points total, we could never take our foot off the pedal. When we did after winning promotion, at home to Southend and then away at Hartlepool, Luton took over top spot. We matched each other last season; can we do it again this year? I hope so.

We have both come up with high expectations and have found it will not be easy in this Division. I am sure though that Luton, like us, will take the necessary steps to adapt and survive, or better, at this level.

We certainly saw from Huddersfield the sort of standard we need to achieve in this division. I tip Huddersfield as a team that will finish in at least a top six spot. I know they have lost their two opening games but we only have to look at our start last year. We need to work on the pace of the game to match what Huddersfield displayed. We are a team that needs to play shape and work hard, we must do that but add that quickness to our game.

Unlike last season when we were fairly inexperienced, we have a big competitive factor. We have already started with players like Graham Coughlan, who last year, is sidelined by a knee injury and we have a number of players who are fit and concerned over fitness. It is a good sign for any football club to have players who are fit and remember that last season we were in a relegation battle.



I hope to be back on the bench and I hope to be back on the bench as they are.

I welcome you to Home Park and I welcome you to Home Park and I welcome you to Home Park.

Paul Sturrock

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## Welcome to Home Park for today's match against Luton Town.

Many fans have been anticipating today's game, a match between the two best teams in Division Three last season now take each other on, despite both finding the going difficult in Division Two. It promises to be a good game and one I hope we can all enjoy.

Two games in a week have made it a busy time at Home Park. Everything is double work inside a few days.

The two games have also combined with tickets for several "all ticket" games going on sale at the same time, meaning the staff have been very busy but have coped well with the demands.

It is good to have The Gaffer back in his normal spot in the front office, with his feet on the table sipping tea. I am glad to see him getting better after his illness. Tuesday's result must have made him feel better and let's hope the medicine keeps coming.

## Teignbridge Greens

Do you live in the Teignbridge area of South Devon?

If so a new Supporters Group is forming to serve fans in that locality. They have been arranging transport to the QPR game at the end of the month and will be doing the same for many other away games this season.

If you are interested in joining ring Sid the landlord of the Kings Arms, Kingsteignton on 01626 364859.

The coach to QPR will be priced at £12.00.

## Appreciative Donation

At half-time today we have a £1000 cheque being presented by Mr. Gordon Beckley.

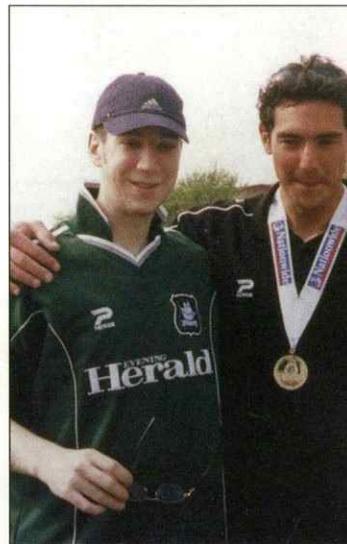
Gordon helps out in the disabled persons enclosure at Home Park and he was so appreciative of the improvement made to the section by the club that he raised the money through Bingo Sessions and a Draw and is now presenting the money to the club.

The Disabled Persons Section has had several improvements added over the summer and several more are planned, so the money can be put to good use.

Thank You Gordon.

## In Memory Of "Stitches"

On the 1st August 2002 sadly a true devoted argyle fan said goodbye. Wayne "Stitches" Robson aged 24 sadly passed away at Derriford hospital, everyone who met and knew him will

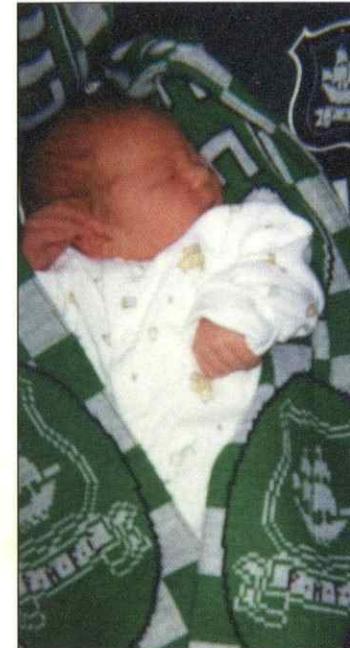


have known what he was like and the chirpy smile and laugh he gave you. He would travel up and down the country to watch his team play, whatever the score he still turned up at the next match. Stitches, from your family and friends you are with us in our hearts wherever you maybe. Keep the flag flying high as we all know we are all "Argyle Till We Die."

In Loving memory of Wayne "Stitches" Robson.

## Greens Babies

Here is a picture of Evie Lauren, who was born at Southmead hospital Bristol on Monday 5th August 2002.



Her mum and dad wrote the letter that accompanied the picture:

"In the picture, she is 9hrs old and has already found the Greener side of life. I hope (and have no doubt about it!) that this early introduction to the green army will sway her away from following either Bristol City or Rovers."

Congratulations to dad and mum, Mark and Lisa, after

being in this programme she has to become a member of the Green Army.

## Ticket Information

Next Saturday we travel to **Cheltenham Town**, not one of our favourite haunts! The match is all ticket and they are now available, there are only 737 seating tickets priced at £15 adults, £12 concessions and £7 under 14.

We have 1150 terrace tickets priced at £13 Adults, £9 concessions and £5 under 14.

The **Bristol City** home match on August Bank Holiday Monday, 1 pm K.O., is all ticket and tickets are available now.

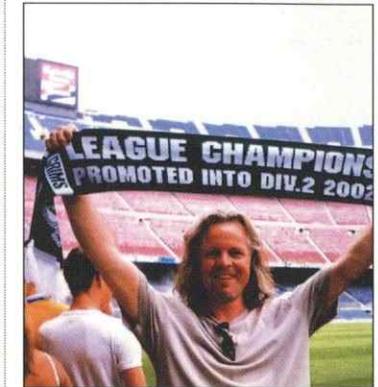
The following Saturday we travel to **Queens Park Rangers** and again the match is all ticket for travelling fans.

The prices for the two-tier all seater stand is £16 for adults and £8 concessions including students (id essential at turnstile).

Tickets for the home game against **Cardiff City** on September 7th go on sale tomorrow, 14th August, as well.

## You'll Never Take The Lyndhurst

These were the words on Argyle fan Dave Orton's lips as he claimed possession of the Nou Camp for the Green Army this summer.



As can be seen Dave proudly displayed his colours, drawing everyone's attention as they recognised they had an Argyle fan in their midst.

Dave said his children did not appreciate his actions! (Dads always embarrass.)

## Senior Greens Meeting Far Post Club

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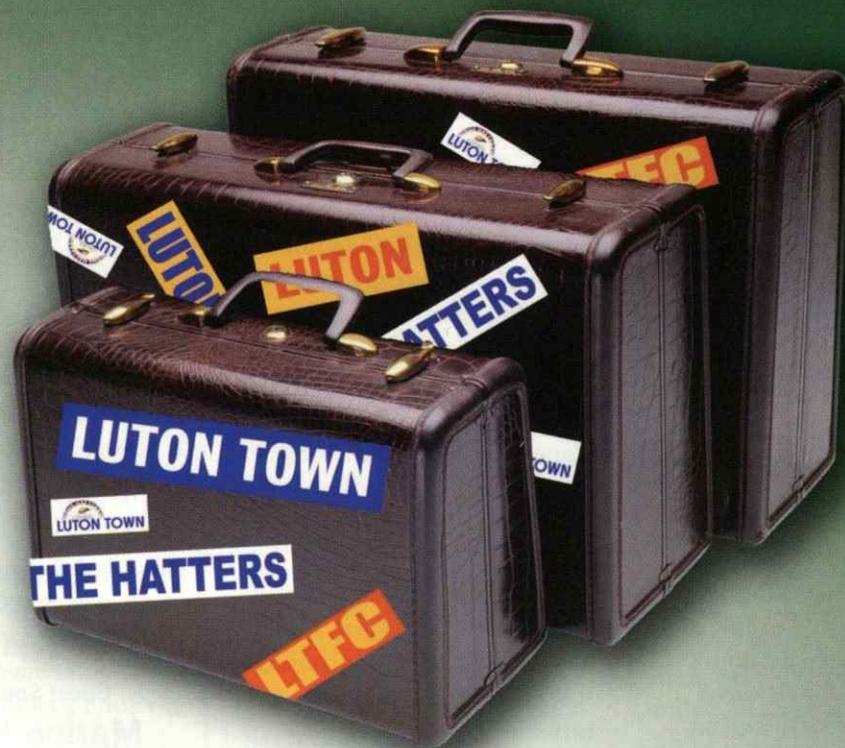
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## The Luton Town Story



*THE DELIGHT of winning promotion last season was just one more chapter in a series of ups and downs that Luton Town have experienced in their history.*

They have enjoyed life at the very top, and suffered the indignity of twice tumbling all the way from the highest division to the lowest. Now, they hope, they are on their way back again after finishing last season as runners-up in Division Three.

In 1974 Luton were the first club in the country to sink from the top division to the bottom, and back all the way up again. Now their supporters are hoping that history can repeat itself.

The club has had to cope with all sorts of difficulties in the last few years, including almost going out of existence when they were in receivership in the summer of 1999.

They survived, and a year later an old friend returned as the new owner and chairman - Mike Watson-Challis, who had been a director in Luton's glory years, for a decade when they flourished in the old First Division, now the Premiership.

He and his colleagues on the board made an inspired choice when they decided to appoint the respected and highly experienced Joe Kinnear as manager in February 2001. It was too late to prevent the relegation that had looked nearly certain since the early days of that season, but on the day relegation was confirmed Kinnear promised the fans: "We'll be promoted in 12 months time..." Brave words, but Joe kept his promise to make it a brief stay in Division Three. Four club records tumbled in the process: 30 league victories, a run of 12 on the trot, 15 away wins and 97 points gathered.

Luton went into the 1990s as a top club - they had ten glorious years in what is now the Premiership, and won the Littlewoods Cup by beating Arsenal in the 1988 final.

But then came a decline, with a club in an antiquated stadium and unable to compete with the big-money outfits. They missed the first season of the Premiership, through relegation just as it was set up in 1992, and the decline continued, with a drop into the Second

Division in 1996.

Previous boards of directors took plenty of stick from fans as the Hatters slumped - the club sold at least £1million worth of talent every year, without bringing in adequate replacements.

But now, with a new board and management team in place, money available for players, and plans taking shape for a new stadium, the supporters hope that at long last the Hatters really are set to move ahead again.

The club was formed in 1885 when Luton Wanderers and Luton Excelsior decided to merge, at a time when Luton was on the threshold of a boom thanks to the growth of the hat-making trade which was to give the club its nickname.

Players were paid for the first time in 1891, making Luton the first club in the south to embrace professionalism. Three years later they were founder-members of the Southern League, and in 1897 joined the Football League's Second Division.

But patchy results and rising costs led to the Club resigning to return to the Southern League. And there Luton stayed until 1920, when the Southern League became Division Three of the Football League.

They narrowly missed promotion to the old Second Division in 1936, when centre-forward Joe Payne terrorised opposing defences. A wing-half, his first appearance as leader of the attack was near-unbelievable: he scored ten goals in a 12-0 win over Bristol Rovers at Kenilworth Road. It is a record which is likely to stand forever. The following year Luton did win promotion, with Payne netting 55 league goals.

Luton were comfortable in the Second Division and in 1955 won promotion to the top division - what is now the Premiership. It ended in tears after six years. Luton reached the FA Cup final in 1959, but lost 2-1 to Nottingham Forest. The team were all getting too old together, and a slump set in. Within 12 months Luton were relegated, and by the sixth anniversary of their only FA Cup final appearance Luton had tumbled all the way down to the old

Fourth Division. In 1967 they were perilously close to having to ask for re-election to stay in the League.

That indignity was narrowly avoided, and a new board injected new life and money into the Club. The Division Four championship was won in 1968 and two years later another promotion was clinched, to the Second Division, with Malcolm Macdonald's goals a major factor..

In 1974 Luton made history again: they won promotion back to the First Division to become the first club ever to drop from top to bottom of the League and then complete the revival in the opposite direction.

That joy ended with relegation after only one season, but in 1982, led by David Pleat, Luton were back among the big boys again, despite operating on a shoestring in an antiquated ground.

Miraculously Luton survived for ten seasons, with the first providing one of the game's classic showdowns. On the last day of the 1982/83 campaign Luton travelled to Maine Road needing a win to stay up and to condemn Manchester City to relegation. City had only to draw, and got to within four minutes of success. But then Raddy Antic, a Serb who had gone as a substitute, struck the winner, and David Pleat was forever famous after that for his televised victory jig of delight across the pitch.

Luton lost in the 1985 FA Cup semi-final to Everton, but in 1988 a major trophy was landed at last, when Arsenal were beaten 3-2 in the final of the Littlewoods Cup. The Hatters made Wembley their second home that summer: they were also there for the Football League's Centenary Tournament, and for the Simod Cup final, in which they lost to Reading. They nearly got there four times: an FA Cup run ended in defeat in the semi-final to the eventual winners, Wimbledon.

Twelve months later Luton were at Wembley again to defend the League Cup, but they lost to Nottingham Forest, to revive memories for older supporters of the 1959 disappointment.

# Luton Team Info

## 22: David BAYLISS

Born Liverpool 8.6.76

A horrendous illness and injury crisis, with 24 players unavailable, led to Luton making one of their best signings last season. Manager Joe Kinnear spent a week in November 2001 chasing players to try to plug the gaps, and discovered to his great delight that Rochdale were prepared to release their longest-serving player. Centre-half Bayliss jumped at the chance to join the Hatters, and played a full part in the promotion campaign that followed. An inch under six foot tall, he had been at Spotland since he was a trainee, and made over 200 first-team appearances for Rochdale before deciding not to accept a new contract with them.

18 appearances.



## 17: Emmerson BOYCE

Born Aylesbury, 24.9.79

One of the many to come through from Luton's schools and youth development programme, the defender was signed as a YTS boy in the summer of 1995, and made the breakthrough to the League squad at the age of 19 midway through the 1999/2000 season after occasional appearances following a debut in the Auto Windscreens Shield in January 1999. He became a regular at right back, with a liking to attack on the overlap, and signed a new contract in the summer of 2002.

124 appearances, 4 goals.

## 18: Ahmet BRKOVIC

Born Dubrovnik, Croatia, 23.9.74

Believing a move would be good for his career, the midfield playmaker refused new terms at Leyton Orient in the summer of 2001, to join Luton on a Bosman free transfer. Orient had signed him on a free from HNK Dubrovnik in the autumn of 1999, and he became a regular in their league squad. He was bitterly disappointed

when they failed in the play-offs to win promotion to the Second Division, and decided he might have a better chance if he joined Luton. He was right, playing a valuable role, mainly on the right flank, to help Luton return to the Second Division at the first attempt.

22 appearances, 2 goals.

## 12: Chris COYNE

Born Brisbane, 20.12.78

The centre-half was playing for Perth Soccer Club when he was selected for the Australian under-17 squad for the 1994 youth World Cup, and came to the notice of Harry Redknapp, then manager of West Ham. Coyne signed for the Hammers as a teenager, but Premiership chances were few and far between, and after loan spells at Brentford and Southend, Coyne went to Dundee. A £50,000 cheque persuaded the Scottish Premier League club to let the defender move to Kenilworth Road in September 2001 and Coyne rapidly became a crowd favourite in the promotion run that followed.

31 appearances, 3 goals.

## 15: Dean CROWE

Born Stockport, 6.6.79

The striker was signed on loan from Stoke City in September 2001 when an injury crisis decimated the Hatters squad. He made an immediate impact, scoring on his debut, at Plymouth, and was soon signed on a permanent deal. His goals helped Luton win promotion last season. Crowe began his career as a YTS boy at Stoke, but found it difficult to hold down a regular place in their league side after a change of management and an influx of Scandinavian players. He was made available by Stoke after loan spells at Northampton and Bury.

35 appearances, 15 goals.



## 16: Carl EMBERSON

Born Epsom, 13.7.73

Wanting competition for the first team goalkeeper's spot, Joe Kinnear signed Emberson in the summer of 2001. Ironically, Plymouth, who went on to edge Luton out of the Third Division championship a few months later, were also interested in a player who chose to leave Walsall under the Bosman ruling. His career began at Millwall as a trainee, but he made his name in a seven-year spell at Colchester before going to the Bescot Stadium in the summer of 1999.

35 appearances.

## 7: Adrian FORBES

Born Ealing 23.1.79

After considerable First Division experience, and with an England youth cap to his credit, Forbes was a surprise inclusion on Norwich City's list of players available for transfer in the summer of 2001, and Luton boss Joe Kinnear was delighted to pay £75,000 for a right winger to add width to his attacking formation. Forbes is noted for his ability to run at and past defenders, either to deliver crosses from out wide, or to cut in and have a crack at goal. He had been at Carrow Road for four years, starting as a trainee, before his move to Kenilworth Road.

42 appearances, 5 goals.

## 14: Andrew FOTIADIS

Born Hitchin, 6.9.77

A local discovery, Fotiadis chose to stay at school to gain GCSE A-levels before being a full-time soccer professional. He won England Schools caps at under-15 and under-18 level, and developed into an old-fashioned centre-forward, with good physique and power. But injuries and fierce competition for places restricted him to only one first team start last season, in the LDV Vans Trophy at Dagenham.

123 appearances, 14 goals.

## 10: Carl GRIFFITHS

Born Welshpool, 15.7.71

An impressive scoring record - a goal in every 2.5 starts for seven previous clubs - led to the striker becoming a major target for Luton after their relegation from the Second Division in 2001. They got their man from Leyton Orient for £65,000, but he suffered a broken leg soon afterwards and missed most of the promotion season after a highly promising start. His earlier moves had totted up to well over £1million, after starting as a trainee at Shrewsbury. His other clubs were Manchester City, Portsmouth, Peterborough, Leyton Orient, Wrexham, Port Vale and back to Orient for a second time.

11 appearances, 7 goals.

## 23: Ian HILLIER

Born Neath, 26.12.79

No-one was more surprised than the Welsh under-21 international himself when he made his league debut for Luton in the second game of last season. The day before he was training with Spurs, where he was captain of the reserves, but a crop of injuries at Luton led to Joe Kinnear taking the young right back on loan, and Hillier settled in so quickly that Luton soon decided to buy him for a bargain £30,000 fee and he became a regular squad member.

24 appearances, 1 goal.

## 20: Peter HOLMES

Born Bishop Auckland, 18.11.80

A midfielder who once seemed destined for soccer stardom - he is a product of the FA School of Excellence, from the same year as Michael Owen - Holmes has had to fight to stay in pro football. Sheffield Wednesday were his first club, but their relegation from the Premiership in May 2000 left them desperate to cut the payroll and he joined Luton for a nominal fee. He was on the fringe of Luton's promotion squad last season, and is hoping to establish himself in this campaign.

32 appearances, 2 goals.

## 19: Steve HOWARD

Born Durham, 10.5.76

Joe Kinnear swooped on deadline day in March 2001 to prise the tall striker away from Northampton for £50,000, and the deal looks a bigger bargain with every game. Howard had cost the Cobblers a then record club fee of £120,000 when they recruited him from Hartlepool two years previously. He helped Northampton win promotion to Division Two, and they grudgingly accepted a third of their asking price for a player who would have left for nothing soon afterwards under the Bosman ruling. Howard exploded into action in his first full season with Luton, and his 24 goals made him the Third Division's top league marksman, and played a major part in Luton's drive to promotion. Not surprisingly, the fans voted him their player of the year.

55 appearances, 27 goals.

## 21: Paul HUGHES

Born Hammersmith 19.4.76

A promising career that began at Chelsea was cruelly interrupted after the gifted midfielder earned the admiration of, among others, Joe Kinnear and Glenn Hoddle, the former England boss. Hughes worked his way up at Stamford Bridge from trainee to Premiership, learning his

trade under Hoddle's management, and gained experience on loan to Stockport, Norwich and Crewe. When Hoddle became manager of Southampton he soon recruited Hughes, but a serious groin injury put the midfielder out of football for nine months.

Southampton, by then under new management, made him available for transfer, and he joined Luton just before last season kicked off.

23 appearances, 3 goals.

## 6: Marvin JOHNSON

Born Wembley, 29.10.68

Longest-serving player at Kenilworth Road, Johnson is probably the most popular member of the Kenilworth Road staff with his colleagues and fans alike, but he knows that his first team chances are likely to be limited this season as younger men make an impact. Always cheerful, even when recovering from injury setbacks, the defender is in his 15th season as a first-team regular at Luton, his only club, having been on the books since he was schoolboy. He is the only member of the staff to have appeared in all four divisions for Luton - he made his debut at Goodison Park in 1988 in the old First Division, now the Premiership. He signed yet another contract in the summer, but has also gained coaching qualifications which will be put to use part-time with Luton's youth squad.

Luton record to the start of this season: 437 appearances, 10 goals.

## 32: Lee MANSELL

Born Gloucester 23.9.82

The young midfielder is hoping to make the permanent breakthrough into Luton's first team this season, after making a dramatic surprise debut. Because of injury absences, he had to make the transition straight from the youth squad to the first team in January 2001, and was just 58 seconds into his debut against Queens Park Rangers, in an FA Cup third round replay, when he scored. Luton had looked after him since he was an 11-year-old, and signed him as soon as he left school. His dramatic emergence at Loftus Road led to him being rewarded with a full professional contract, but he went into this season still fighting against stiff competition for a permanent place in Luton's midfield.

32 appearances, 7 goals.

## 3: Alan NEILSON

Born Wegburg, Germany, 26.10.72

WITH Luton's promotion bid going well in February 2002, Joe Kinnear felt it was the right time to boost his squad for the run-in, and defender Neilson, a former Welsh international, was signed on a free

transfer after being released by Grimsby as part of a cost-cutting exercise. He brought with him plenty of top football experience. His international career began with appearances for Wales at youth and under-21 level, followed by five full caps, and he enjoyed a good career in the Premiership, with his first club Newcastle and then with Southampton and Fulham, and established himself at right back for Luton in the closing stages of last season.

8 appearances.

## 8: Kevin NICHOLLS

Born Newham, 2.1.79

The tough-tackling midfielder began his career as a trainee at Charlton and quickly made an impact after skipping England youth teams at under-18, under-19 and under-20 levels. At the time Joe Kinnear, now manager of Luton, was in charge of Wimbledon, and made a note of the young Nicholls, and just before last season started he was surprised - and well pleased - to hear that Nicholls was available for transfer. Charlton had sold him for £250,000 to Wigan in the summer of 1999, but the move did not work out, and Luton's offer of £150,000 led to him moving to Kenilworth Road. He quickly became team captain, and his huge enthusiasm and ferocious tackling soon made him a big favourite with Luton fans, although opponents did not always view his all-action style with similar relish.

43 appearances, 6 goals.



# Luton Team Info

## 1: Mark OVENDALE

Born Leicester, 22.11.73  
The arrival of a new board of directors at Kenilworth Road in the summer of 2000 enabled Luton to break a depressing pattern set over the previous three years. Then, with continuing financial problems, including a spell in receivership, Luton had been great sellers of players, and very rarely buyers. That changed when Mike Watson-Challis became the chairman, and made cash available to secure goalkeeper Ovendale from Bournemouth for £425,000, a Luton record fee for a goalkeeper. He was previously with Wisbech, Northampton and Barry Town. Last season he was one of two capable goalkeepers fighting for the keeper's jersey, competing with Carl Emberson. Each had spells in the team, knowing the other was always waiting to displace him.  
47 appearances.

## 5: Russ PERRETT

Born Barton on Sea, 18.5.73  
Having helped Cardiff City win promotion to the Second Division in May 2001, the big central defender was the victim of a huge recruitment drive at Ninian Park and Perrett knew his first team future at Cardiff might be limited. Luton boss Joe Kinnear had a long-standing friendship with Cardiff owner Sam Hammam, from the time when they were manager and owner at Wimbledon, and Hammam allowed Perrett to join Luton a few days before last season began. It proved to be a shrewd acquisition, with Perrett an automatic choice in the promotion-winning team, losing his place only when injuries and a suspension intervened. His career had begun with non-league Lymington before he went to neighbouring Portsmouth in 1995 and then to Cardiff four years later.  
41 appearances, 3 goals.

## 11: Steve ROBINSON

Born Lisburn, 10.12.74  
Having rebuilt his side to win promotion from the Third Division, manager Joe Kinnear knew that an even stronger squad was needed for this season's challenge, and one of his first summer signings was midfielder Robinson, for £50,000 from Preston North End. Capped five times by Northern Ireland, the attacking midfielder had made his name at Bournemouth after joining the Cherries on a free transfer from Spurs, where he had been a trainee. He hit 60 goals in 286 appearance for Bournemouth, an enviable strike rate from midfield, and Preston paid £375,000 for him. But he failed to make the same impact in two years at Deepdale, and jumped at the chance to get his career moving again when Luton came in for him.

## 2: Aaron SKELTON

Born Welwyn, 22.11.74  
It was a case of going "back home" when the defender, born a few miles from Luton, signed for the Hatters for the second time in July 2000. He had joined the club as a schoolboy, and worked his way up through the ranks to be on the fringe of the league team when he was 19. But a succession of injuries sidelined him for long periods and a change of club, on a free transfer to Colchester in the summer of 1997, brought a much-needed change of luck and Skelton rapidly became a big favourite at Layer Road. He was their player of the year when his contract expired in the summer of 2001, and although Colchester wanted him to sign a new deal, the invitation to move back to his first club, on a Bosman, was too good to turn down.  
23 appearances, 1 goal.

## 4: Matthew SPRING

Born Harlow, 17.11.79  
There was relief all round when the competitive midfielder accepted a new contract at Kenilworth Road at the end of last season. Spring has been at Luton since he was a schoolboy, and was a driving force in the side which reached the FA Youth Cup semi-finals in 1997. After a league debut when still only 17, he soon became a regular in Luton's Second Division team, and his first 100 appearances were clocked up while he was only 20. He was influential in the Luton team that won promotion last season, and manager Joe Kinnear's determination to guide Luton to a second successive step up helped to persuade Spring to remain at his only club, rather than insist on leaving under freedom of contract.  
213 appearances, 21 goals.

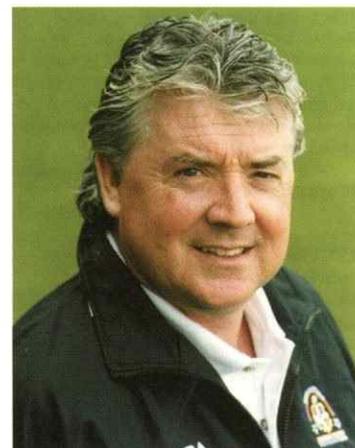
## 9: Tony THORPE

Born Leicester, 10.4.74  
It was a case of "coming home" for the striker when he joined Luton as a Bosman free transfer in the summer - it was the fourth time he had signed for the Hatters! He was 18 in 1992 when Leicester declined to sign him at the end of his traineeship at Filbert Street. But David Pleat, previously at Leicester, and by then Luton manager, knew that Thorpe had potential, and gave him a chance at Luton. Thorpe was a spectacular success, particularly when Pleat switched him from midfield to the front. Nimble footwork and an instinctive eye for goal made Thorpe a hot property - he netted 31 times in 1996/97, the first time anyone had done that for Luton since the days of Malcolm Macdonald 25 years earlier. At the time Luton were very much a selling club, and they cashed in when Fulham

offered £850,000 in February 1998. A £1million move to Bristol City followed four months later, but in his early days at Ashton Gate management changes left the striker unsure of his future. He returned to Luton twice in 1999 on loan deals, but a permanent move could not be sorted out, until, in the summer of 2002, Thorpe became a free agent, and could hardly wait to get back to his old pals at Kenilworth Road. They will be delighted if he can reproduce the strike rate of his first spell at Luton - 60 goals in 144 games.

## THE MANAGER - Joe KINNEAR

Born Dublin, 27.12.46  
IN HIS first full season in charge at Kenilworth Road, Joe Kinnear made good a promise. He was brave enough to tell the disconsolate fans, who had just seen the Hatters relegated, that they would be celebrating promotion by the end of the season.



They were, returning to the Second Division at the first attempt as runners-up to Plymouth. And the Second Division should beware: he knows the task this season will be even harder, but once more the chirpy Irishman has laid his reputation on the line: "I want another promotion..." With the backing of a supportive chairman and board, Mr Kinnear has brought about a dramatic revival in Luton's fortunes. Needing an experienced man to try to halt a slide down the Second Division, Luton's directors persuaded him to take on the daunting task in February 2001, as Luton's third manager of the season. He improved performances and results, but the leeway was too great to make up, and no-one was more gutted than the manager when a season of struggle ended with the drop into Division Three. It was the first relegation he had suffered in a long career

which made him a household name as a player and then as a manager. Born in Dublin, but brought up in Watford, Kinnear was playing non-league football for St. Albans City as a teenager when Tottenham spotted his potential, and signed him in 1965. Joe was a reliable defender who enjoyed ten of the best years in the history of Spurs, making more than 280 appearances for them, and collecting 26 Republic of Ireland caps as well as an impressive array of medals - an FA Cup-winner in 1967, League Cup winner in 1971 and 1973 and a UEFA Cup winner in 1972.

He then played for Brighton - Brian Clough signed him - for four years before moving into coaching. For six years he was the national team coach in the United Arab Emirates, working alongside his old Spurs pal Dave MacKay but his major impact in this country came after taking charge of Wimbledon in 1992. With no ground of their own, and the smallest fanbase in the Premiership, the Dons did much more than just survive in the Premiership, and the "crazy Gang" were still there when a heart

attack forced him to step down. His time with Wimbledon brought him more accolades - two Premiership manager of the year awards, another as Carlton TV manager of the year, and yet another voted by Sky TV viewers.

Fully fit after being sidelined for 18 months, he was ready to get involved again when Luton approached him, relishing the chance to take control of all football matters at Kenilworth Road - director of football, manager and coach all rolled into one. Relegation was not the fairy-tale return he and the club hoped for, but he set about a major rebuilding job on the squad, and no-one enjoyed the occasion more than he as Luton returned to Division Two at the first attempt, setting a string of club records on the way.

## FIRST TEAM COACH - Mick HARFORD

Born Sunderland 12.2.59  
"The Legend Returns" was the way Luton announced the appointment of their new first team coach in July 2001. And every

supporter knew exactly who it was, because Mick Harford is part of Hatters' folklore and revered as perhaps the best striker the club has ever had.

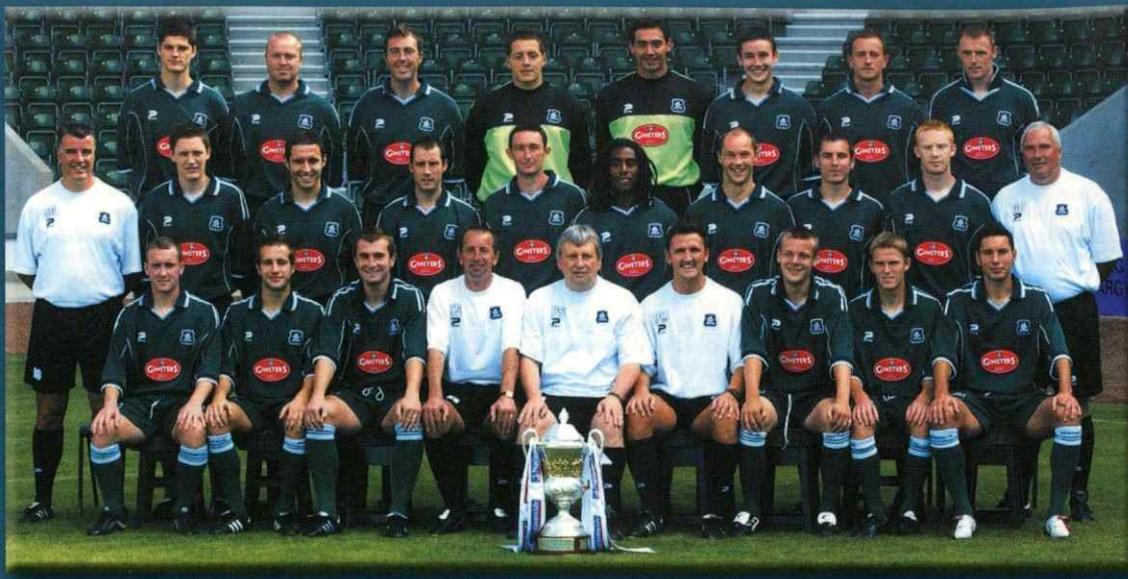
He played for Luton in two spells, during a league career which started at Lincoln in 1977 and continued, mostly at the top level, for the next 20 years.

His boyhood dream was to play for his home town club, Sunderland, but he failed to achieve that ambition as a school-leaver, and had to go to Lincoln City to learn his trade. Big and brave, powerful in the air, and with two good feet, he gave sterling service to nine other clubs after that, including, eventually, Sunderland.

Harford's itinerary through football, which brought him two England caps, went from Lincoln to Newcastle, Bristol City, Birmingham, Luton from 1984 to 1989, Derby, Luton again from 1991 to 1992, Chelsea, Sunderland, Coventry and finally Wimbledon in 1994.

It was there that he began coaching - then manager Joe Kinnear, who took Harford back to Kenilworth Road third time in July 2000 to work as a hand man.





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## From the Argyle Archives



*Rupert Metcalf looks back at a past encounter against today's opponents*

For today's dip into the history books we go way back in time to 10 April 1926, and a Third Division South encounter between Argyle and Luton Town at Home Park.

The 1925-26 campaign was one of great frustration for the Pilgrims. Under the management of one of the most revered figures in the club's history, Robert Jack, they finished in second place in the Third Division South. This in itself was not that remarkable an achievement, but amazingly it was the fifth consecutive season in which Argyle had been runners-up - in a league from which only the champions were elevated to the Second Division.

The following season, 1926-27, Argyle were astonishingly runners-up yet again. They slipped to third and then fourth in the next two campaigns before finally winning the divisional title and promotion in 1929-30.

But back to the spring of 1926, and the closing stages of a season in which the Pilgrims had been in superb scoring form, especially at Home Park. Jack Cock, who had arrived from Everton late in the previous campaign, was the main man in front of goal. He scored 31 league goals while that fine supporting cast of Jack Leslie and Sammy Black also reached doubles figures in the scoring charts.

The team's total of league goals

was 107, from just 42 fixtures. Home Park witnessed two 7-2 victories, over Aberdare Athletic and Bournemouth & Boscombe Athletic. Southend United and Crystal Palace were both beaten 6-2, while Norwich City suffered a 6-3 beating and Brighton & Hove Albion went down to a 5-3 reverse.

Argyle's total of 71 goals at home that term was the best in the section and was inferior to only one team in the entire Football League, Sheffield United. Yet the Pilgrims failed by a single point to win the title and promotion. That prize went to Reading, who had finished the previous season in 15th place.

When Luton came to Devon on 10 April, the home side were very much in contention for honours, as there will still five matches left to play prior to the Hatters' visit. A crowd of 15,000 turned out at Home Park to witness these two teams take the field and contest a thrilling match which finished with the scoreline 4-3 in Argyle's favour:

**Plymouth Argyle:** Craig; Russell, Titmuss; Preston, MacKenzie, Hardie; Matthews, Forbes, Cock, Leslie, Black.

**Luton Town:** Mingay; Graham, Till; Neal, Rennie, Miller; Moffat, Thomson, Thompson, Agnew, Dennis.

This contemporary newspaper report of the match was reproduced in Harley Lawer's 1988 book, "Argyle Classics": "Seven goals were scored in the match between Plymouth Argyle and Luton Town, and the last - registered by Cock - made a

record, for it brought Argyle's total to 100, the first time that a century has been reached in the history of the club.

Apart from this, however, the game was a rousing affair from beginning to end, and, though the winners deserved the invaluable points secured, one admired the persistence of Luton, who, although always in arrears, scored point for point with Argyle until near the end.

Seven minutes after the start Argyle had achieved a two-goal lead, Forbes and Cock scoring, and it appeared as though the game was safe. Luton rallied gamely, and deservedly scored through Dennis, but received a further setback when Forbes, whose shooting was a feature of the match, again netted.

Again Luton rallied, and this time it was Agnew who defeated Craig. Ten minutes after the interval Cock scored the record-making goal, Thomson replying, and for the remainder of the game Luton were struggling for the equalising point.

Argyle's defence was not as sound as in recent games, the halves being below form, and undoubtedly their victory was in no small measure due to the leadership of Cock, who, returning to the team after three weeks' absence, played a skilful game. Luton's forwards, too, were well led by Thompson, and in goal Mingay was often brilliant."



## LEAGUE RECORD AGAINST LUTON TOWN

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.
Home	29	18	6	5	60	32
Away	29	5	12	12	37	51
Total	58	23	18	17	97	83

*Goals by Martin Phillips and David Friio gave Plymouth Argyle a 2-1 Third Division win on Luton Town's last visit to Home Park on 29th September 2001. Title rivals Luton triumphed 2-0 in the return fixture five months later with late goals from Kevin Nicholls and Steve Howard and both clubs won promotion last season. The Hatters' last League win here was 2-0 in February 1998 with goals by Andrew Fotiadis and Sean Evers.*

### TITLE TRIUMPH

Former Luton Town midfielder Sean Evers helped Plymouth Argyle to win the Third Division title last season. Signing professional at Kenilworth Road in May 1996, he netted six goals in 52 League games for Luton before being sold to Reading for £500,000 in March 1999. He joined Plymouth on a free transfer in March 2001. Ex-Luton defender Richard Dryden joined Argyle on loan from Notts County in November 1992 and made five League appearances while at Home Park. He moved to Luton from Southampton in February 2001 and helped to win promotion last season, recently joining Scarborough.

### TWO SPELLS

Ex-Plymouth Argyle goalkeeper

Milija Aleksic had two spells at Luton Town. Moving to Home Park from Stafford Rangers in February 1973, he understudied Jim Furnell and made 32 League appearances for Plymouth prior to joining Luton in December 1976. He displaced Keith Barber in goal and played 77 Second Division games before moving to Tottenham Hotspur for £100,000 in December 1978. Briefly returning to Kenilworth Road on loan in November 1981, he made a further four League appearances for the Hatters. Fellow keeper Andy Petterson also played for both clubs.

### PROMOTION WINNER

Defender Clive Goodyear was a promotion winner with both Luton Town and Plymouth Argyle. Moving to Kenilworth Road from Lincoln United in October 1978, he featured in Luton's 1981-82 Second Division title triumph and netted four goals in 90 League games for the Hatters prior to joining Plymouth for £40,000 in August 1984. He was an influential figure in Plymouth's 1985-86 promotion success and scored five times in 106 League outings before being sold to Wimbledon for £50,000 in July 1987, later returning to Luton as physio.

### LEADING MARKSMAN

Striker Dwight Marshall was leading marksman at both Plymouth Argyle and Luton Town. Moving to Home Park from Grays Athletic for £35,000 in August 1991, he was Plymouth's top scorer in 1991-92 and helped Peter Shilton's side to

qualify for the Second Division play-offs in 1993-94. Sold to Luton for £150,000 in July 1994, he topped their goalscoring charts in 1994-95 and netted 27 times in 124 League outings for today's opponents prior to rejoining Plymouth in October 1998. He scored 39 times in 127 League games overall for Argyle before moving to Kingstonian in June 1999.

### IN SAFE KEEPING

Plymouth Argyle's former loanee goalkeeper Les Sealey was ever-present for Luton Town in 1983-84. Moving to Kenilworth Road from Coventry City for £120,000 in August 1983, he was loaned to Plymouth in October 1984 and made six Third Division appearances for the Pilgrims. He starred for Luton in successive FA Cup runs and was unlucky to miss their 1987-88 Littlewoods Cup final triumph through injury but was a Wembley finalist the following season, playing 207 League games for today's visitors prior to joining Manchester United in June 1990.

### TOP HATTERS

One-time Plymouth Argyle forward Keith Allen featured prominently in Luton Town's 1967-68 Fourth Division title triumph. Moving to Kenilworth Road from Stockport County in an exchange deal involving former England international Derek Kevan in March 1967, he also helped Luton to win promotion in 1969-70 and netted 36 goals in 137 League games for today's opponents

prior to joining Plymouth for £10,000 in July 1970. He scored ten times in 79 League outings while at Home Park until injury ended his playing career in November 1973.

### SCOTTISH STAR

Scottish inside-forward Frank Sloan played for both Plymouth Argyle and Luton Town during his career. Moving to Home Park from Shieldmuir Celtic in July 1923, he featured in successive promotion near-misses and helped Plymouth to win the Third Division (South) title in 1929-30. He netted 49 goals in 208 League games for Argyle prior to joining Luton in March 1936, featuring in their 1936-37 Third Division (South) title campaign and making four League appearances while at

Kenilworth Road. Ex-Luton reserve winger Patsy Corcoran also gave Plymouth fine service during the inter-war era.

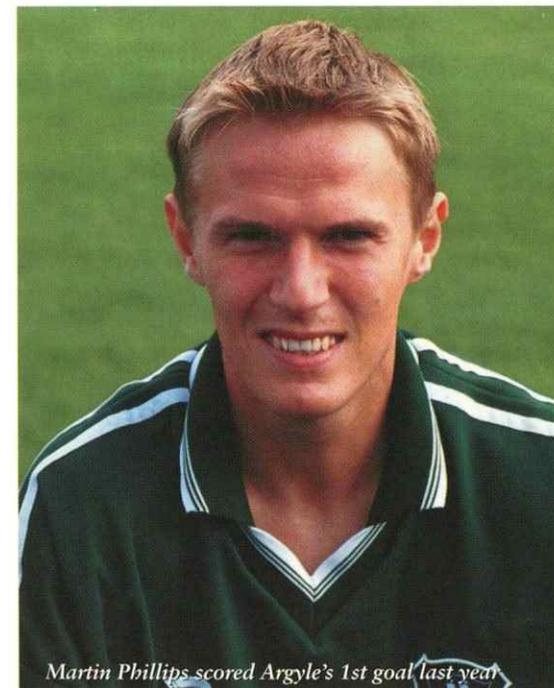
### TOP SCORER

Luton Town's former loanee striker John Sims was Plymouth Argyle's top scorer in two consecutive seasons. Moving to Kenilworth Road on loan from Derby County in November 1973, his solitary goal in three consecutive Second Division games for Luton came in that month's 2-1 win at home to Sheffield Wednesday. He joined Plymouth from Exeter City for £22,500 in October 1979 and scored 43 times in 163 League outings while at Home Park prior to joining Torquay United in August 1983. Former Plymouth midfielder Barry

Silkman had a loan spell at Luton during the 1978-79 campaign.

### LOAN SPELL

Former Plymouth Argyle central defender Forbes Phillipson-Masters had a loan spell at Luton Town during the 1978-79 campaign. Moving to Luton on loan from Southampton in March 1979, he made ten Second Division appearances while at Kenilworth Road. He joined Plymouth for £50,000 in August 1979 and partnered George Foster in the heart of Argyle's defence, playing 119 League games before moving to Bristol City in November 1982. The likes of Bill Fellowes, Gordon Fincham, Mike Harrison, Hugh McJarrow, Raphael Meade and Len Rich also played for both clubs.



*Martin Phillips scored Argyle's 1st goal last year*



*David Friio scored the winner*

# Junior Greens

## Junior Greens

Good Afternoon and welcome to today's match vs. Luton Town. We now have over 350 junior greens signed up for the 2002-2003 season but we are always looking for new members to join and take advantage of the great offers that membership entitles you to.

How do you become a junior green?

- You can collect an application form from either the main office or the club shop anytime during the week. If you are unable to get to the ground, you can phone the main office and ask for an application to be posted to you.

- You must be under 16 at the start of the season to be a member.
- Junior green membership costs £20 per season.
- Junior green membership entitles you to £1 entrance at home games in the Lyndhurst, Spion Kop and Mayflower standing enclosure.
- Membership also entitles you to 10% off in the club shop.

For more information on the Junior Greens contact Jo Benwell - Junior Greens president on 01752 562561.

### Membership update.

The junior greens joining pack will hopefully be available in the next few weeks. The pack will be sent out to all members as soon as they arrive -

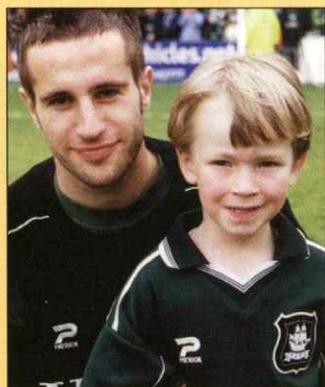
may I take this opportunity to thank all members for their patience and co-operation in this matter.

The membership cards will also be available very soon - we are experiencing technical problems with our machine to produce the cards but will send the cards out as soon as possible. There will be a list of all members on both Junior Greens turnstiles until the cards are available so you will still be able to gain entry for a £1.

Enjoy the match

Jo Benwell  
Junior Greens President.

## Today's Match Day Mascots



James Reid

First up is James Reid from Peverell in Plymouth. James is 5 1/4 years old and attends Hyde Park Infants School in Plymouth, where he likes Maths, writing, reading and painting.

In his spare time James likes eating, football and playing Subbuteo. His favourite players are Brian McGlinchey, Romain Larrieu, but he would pick all 11 because he likes them all.

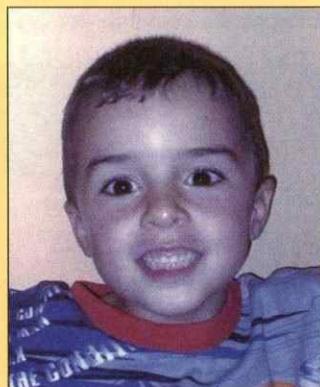


Tom Hicks

He will be at the match with his sister Emma, mama, dada, papa, nana, nana Jane, Naomi and all his friends in the press box.

The second mascot is 8 year old Tom Hicks from Bovey Tracey.

Tom attends Bovey Tracey Primary School where he enjoys Maths, science, and PE.



Eoin Cooken

Tom's favourite players are Jason Bent, David Friio and Michael Evans and he is at the match with his Mum, dad and sister Gemma.

The last, but not the least, mascot is Eoin Cooken. Eoin is 5 and attends Rush National School, Co Dublin where he likes Art. His favourite players are Damien Duff, Robbie Keane and he will be at the match with his Mum, dad and sisters (Emma and Claire).



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# Word on the Web by Matthew Banwell

Luton Town - 17/08/2002

*Whilst it's hard to imagine that P@SOTI, the Argyle fans' Internet messageboard, could ever capture the views of every single Pilgrim, it nevertheless provides a worthwhile cross-section of opinion that can be used to gauge the fans' mood at any point in time. By reading just a few messages, one can quickly witness many different emotions - emotions that after a defeat, quickly change.*

Smiffy put it best when he started a thread last Saturday evening entitled "No-one Predicted That Coming!" Indeed, following so many months of unflappable optimism and confidence, the defeat against Mansfield created an air of introspection amongst P@SOTI contributors.

After all the debate about what the formation would be, who would start up front, and whether the new signings would get a run out, the completion of the first game of the season turned excited speculation into sober reaction. Postings were sombre but also, thankfully, honest and free of gloom or despair.

The sheer number of goals witnessed, as well as the manner of the 4-3 loss, provided plenty to talk about. And of course, football supporters are always more inclined to speak their mind after a defeat! There was a large Green contingent at Field

Mill, so many thoughts about the game were based on first-hand experience. Accounts highlighted that Argyle's talent was evident but that deficiencies were present, perhaps revolving around fitness and attitude.

Furthermore, the question was asked as to whether a complacent mindset had been shared amongst the supporters. Had we become arrogant? Had we expected the game to be easy? Were we right to sing "Champions" so quickly after going one-up? The consensus seemed to be that the final scoreline was flattering from our perspective, but positives were taken from Argyle fighting back from being three goals down and the convivial atmosphere shared amongst the travelling fans.

Getting involved yourself is the best way of helping P@SOTI to

capture the views of all Argyle supporters. If you've never done so before, why not visit the website and post your views on today's game? Whether the result leaves you happy, sad, elated or frustrated - you'll be made to feel most welcome.

SiteSeeing - [www.nutmegged.net](http://www.nutmegged.net)

The Nutmegged on-line fanzine has a Fantasy Football competition that is both free to enter and caters for fans of Division Two clubs. Many Argyle fans have signed up and created one of the site's largest mini-leagues, but competition may be stifled somewhat as several dream teams consist entirely of Plymouth players! Though starting slightly late, you can still sign-up and will have every chance of doing well.

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# Richard Cowdery... 15 years covering Argyle for the Western Morning News

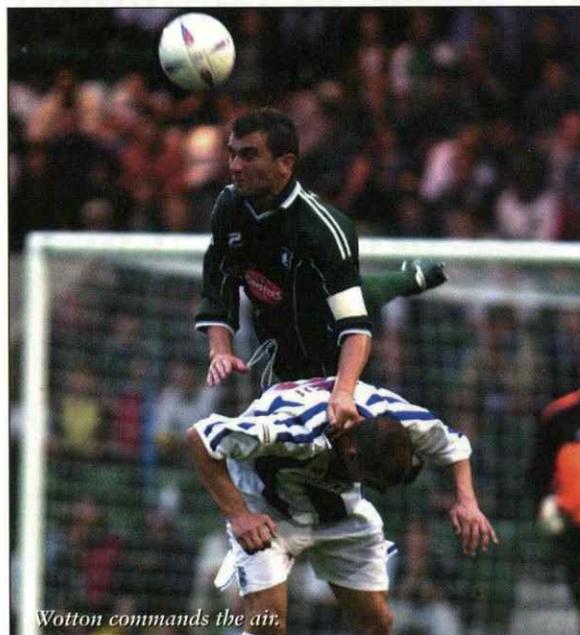


15 years - first and best

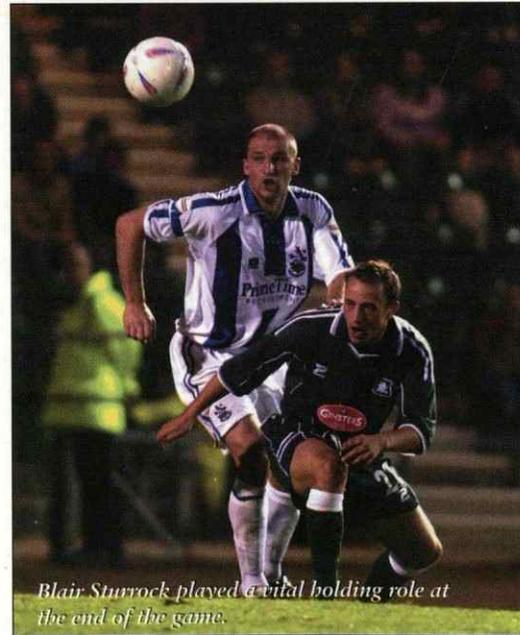
# Huddersfield Game Action



Sturrock delighted at the final whistle.



Wotton commands the air.



Blair Sturrock played a vital holding role at the end of the game.

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## MATCH FACTS

Nationwide League Division Two  
 Tuesday 13th August 2002

**Plymouth Argyle 2**  
 (Frio 53, Wotton 90)

**Huddersfield Town 1**  
 (Thorrington 89)

Attendance: 8,953  
 Referee: Mr. B. Curson

Argyle: Larriou, Worrell, Wotton, Malcolm, McGlinchey, Phillips (Bent 63), Adams, Frio, Hodges, Lowndes, Evans (Sturrock 55)  
 Yellow Cards: McGlinchey (2), Adams  
 Red Cards: McGlinchey

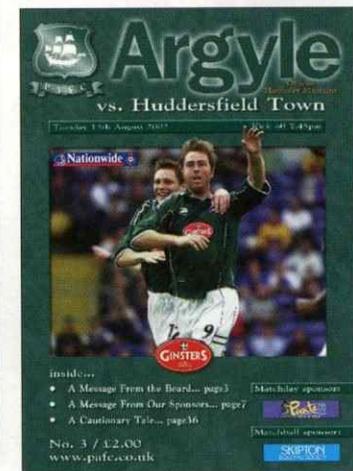
Huddersfield: Bevon, Jenkins (Heary), Youds, Moses, Sharp, Thorrington, Mattis (Worthington 84), Irons, Holland, Booth, McDonald (Stead 69)  
 Yellow Cards: Sharp, Moses, Wothington



Hodges watches the ball drift across the goal.



Frio turns away from Irons.





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## Argyle Not At the Races... by Pete Ray



*Don't know how confident I felt last Saturday. Mansfield were short of possible starters Hassell, Bradley, Tankard, Sisson, Scott and Gadsby, even the bench-goalie was injured. Argyle could have been at full strength.*

The Pilgrims began like they were dropping another piece into the Championship winning jigsaw and confidence abounded in front of a noisy, expectant following. Then rain dampened the enthusiasm and 30 minutes of optimism, fuelled by Evans' goalscoring header. Hodges dropped deeper, Stonebridge became careless, then anonymous and Bent began chasing young full-back Jarvis. Friio started jogging a retreat and Adams found himself in a midfield firing-line, as the Stags worked the flanks and realised that their superior pace and player-support would bring deserved rewards.

I guess it was there for all to see against Charlton and to a lesser degree, against Forest. At Mansfield it reared its ugly head again. Argyle's lack of pace. The wide midfielders, did not appear to possess the speed to break tackles or break clear of the opposition, nor were they able to put questions into the minds of the Stags' wide defenders. Indeed, youngster Jarvis enjoyed a decent game against Bent and the Canadian looked the rookie of the two. Hodges did cut inside on one early occasion, resulting in Stonebridge's looping header, but it cleared the home crossbar. Bent had two opportunities to make telling centres from his flank, but to the obvious annoyance of Kevin Summerfield, one cross drifted out of play and the other was aimed at the 'keeper's midriff.

Adams' best work shows from deeper positions, finding time on the ball with good positioning. Thus at Field Mill, even at 3-1 down, I was left wondering just how Argyle could attempt to redress a distressing

situation and I guess I knew there was nothing. Phillips is not a direct player, Lowndes is, but suffered at Mansfield through shocking service, mainly long balls hit at him. Beresford was not even on the bench, yet we are led to believe that he has basic speed. Lopes was not present either, yet he, at least, seems to have trickery in his game.

All of this maybe adds up to a slight lack of imagination. There is a certain trust in Argyle's discipline, which proved so successful in the 3rd Division, but this league features players with more knowhow. Sellars is one of those, even at 37 years old,



possessing quick feet and the ability to spot a creative pass. I recall how influential Paul Simpson was for Rochdale against the Greens last season, using flashes of a higher league pedigree. Mansfield's midfielders were all busy, fairly quick and certainly not hampered by a lack of adventure- and it worked.

Evans shouldered most of the responsibility, competed physically



but lacked support. Interesting that all three Argyle goals in this game came from dead-ball situations. Trigger was seen foraging what he could from balls aimed generally at him, for much of the time successfully, but one could read in his manner that the situation was far from ideal.

Charlton displayed the pace of Robinson, Lisbee and Euell. Forest featured Harewood and Johnson. Those players were usually dangerous, if lacking in finesse at times. There seems to be a slot in this division for a maverick player, one who could make something happen when the situation was glum. Phillips has that kind of ability, yet rarely treats us to glimpses of it.

Also worrying has been the susceptibility of Argyle's defence, aerially. Defending from corners and free-kicks was disastrous against Charlton, if less so against Forest. Mansfield's White, tall, strong, but raw, caused plenty of trouble for Coughlan and Wotton at Field Mill. He rose to power an equaliser, leaving both Argyle central defenders in his wake and looked to be an experienced striker, which he most definitely is not.

I know I forget the fable of the hare and the tortoise but although Argyle's Paula Radcliffe style drew the finish out of last season's promotion hopefuls, maybe it will need a more pacy approach, game by game, to be successful in Division 2 this term.

# Football in the Community

*A new season may have just started but the Community Scheme has been carrying on the good work throughout the summer. We have made many visits to Primary Schools all over the region and, once the school holidays started, held soccer courses in a wide range of places.*

Two events were finalised prior to the holidays. Holsworthy Community College was the venue for their feeder school's Penalty Challenge. A total of 14 primary schools took part in this venture. Coaches from the Community Scheme went to visit two different schools every Tuesday to provide coaching and hold a sponsored penalty competition, which came to a climax on 21st May when Ross Daniel of Pyworthy School won the overall contest. Incidentally, the children raised over £1000 for their schools during the competition. A very handsome total indeed!

July 17th saw the culmination of the Stoke Damerel penalty competition. Eight schools from the Community College feeder primaries took part and Shane Warrey of Ford Primary School won the final at Stoke Damerel. This is the second time in four years that Ford Primary have won this competition for the

Alexander Trophy - a super trophy donated by the former principal of Stoke Damerel Community College, Mr. Tony Alexander.

Nottingham Forest arrived at Home Park on Saturday 3rd August and so did Ross, Shane, and indeed eight other penalty finalists from all over Devon and Cornwall. The occasion was the final of the Pirate FM Community Cup. Two sets of five contestants took part in the group stage before the game, with the two winners Ryan McShane and Jacob Smale contesting the final at half time.

The eventual winner was Ryan McShane and he received his trophy and medal from new signing Stuart Malcolm and all the finalists received presents from Kevin Wills.

Soccer courses have taken place throughout the holiday. We have completed the two courses here at Home Park and courses at St Minver, Ivybridge, Looe and Holsworthy. Next week we are in Cornwall at Wendron and Launceston. As you can see there is no rest for the wicked or indeed the Football in the Community coaches!



Enjoy the game

Geoff Crudgington.

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England 4 West Germany 2 World Cup Final at Wembley Stadium. July 30th 1966

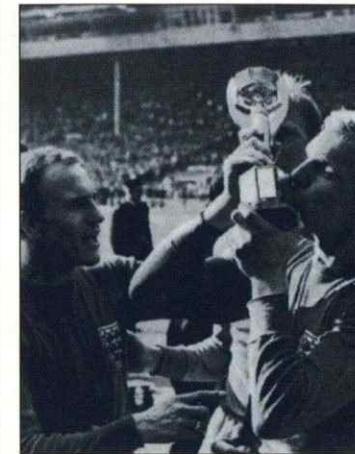
### The Match

The highlight of English football history was the climax of a long awaited tournament staged at the home of football. In truth, there have been better World Cup Finals competitions, but for drama and excitement this was one of the most memorable final matches. Somewhat against the script, Haller opened the scoring in 13 minutes but within six minutes Hurst had headed England level. Thirteen minutes from the end of a keenly contested match, Peters scored what looked to be the winner, until Germany equalised in the last minute through Weber.

The drama continued into extra time, Hurst scoring a hotly disputed "was it over the line" goal after 100 minutes play. In the dying seconds, Hurst completed his hat-trick to confirm England as World Champions.

### The Programme

The only single-match issue of the tournament was in the same style, size and format as the tournament brochure, but the full colour illustration was of the Jules Rimet Trophy and the tournament logo on a blue background. The bulk of the



68 pages consisted of results and action photographs of the matches in the Finals. Squad details of all 16 countries, and the qualifying tournament results were copied from the tournament brochure. There were messages of welcome, in four languages, from various officials, four pages listing and photographing FIFA delegates, and full page portraits of the Patron and President of the Football Association (the Queen and the Earl of Harewood respectively).

Apart from the welcomes and the photograph captions, the only text of note was a one page history of the World Cup, and while this substantial

brochure is a fitting souvenir of the occasion, the matchday buyer did not receive a great deal of entertainment for his 2/6d. The centre fold has head and shoulder photos of the 22 players in both squads, and a space for writing in the chosen 22 and the result. Many original purchasers did just that, with the result that unmarked copies now sell at a premium.

The programme was until recently available for £20, but the price has increased quite steeply in recent months as you may have to pay up to £70. Most major dealers have sufficient stocks to include it on their sales catalogues. Unfortunately, the programme was illegally reproduced a number of years after the match, and while experienced collectors and dealers discriminate between the two programmes, many newer collectors unsuspectingly have a reproduction in their collection.

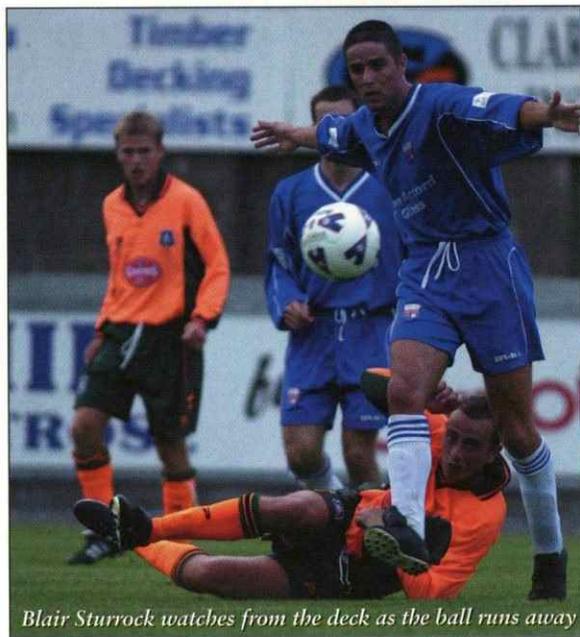
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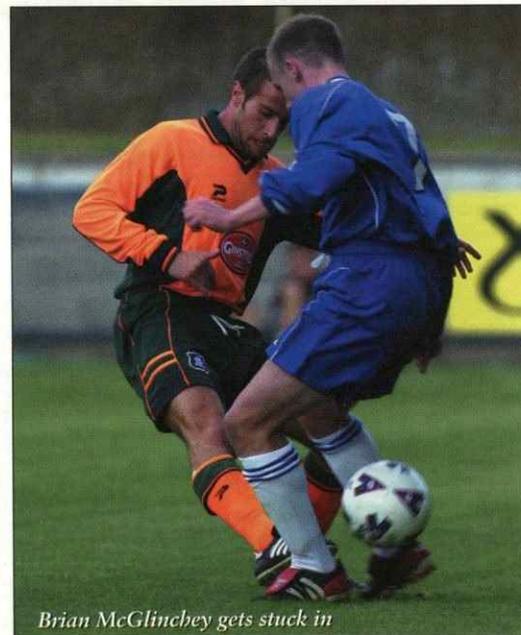
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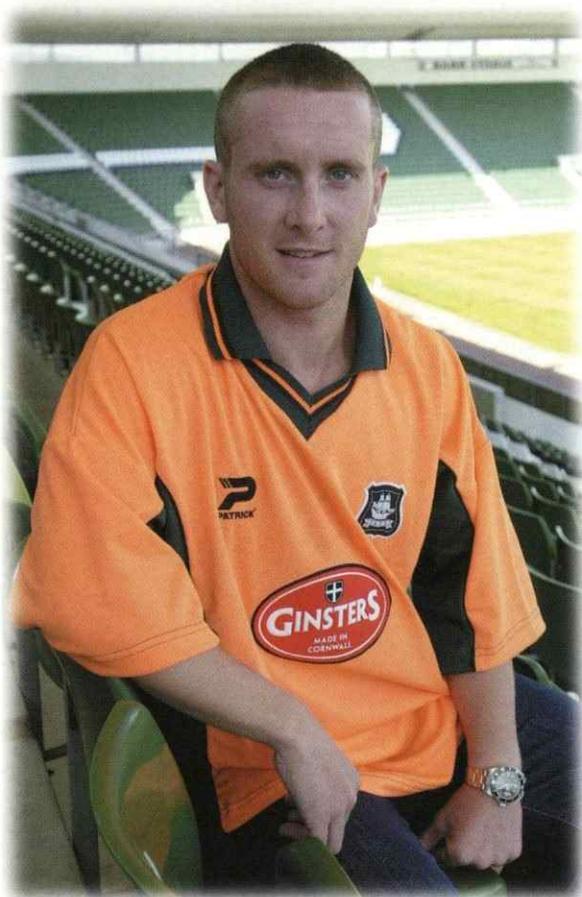
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## Former Argyle Favourites by Andy Riddle



*This week Andy Riddle speaks to former Argyle captain Johnny Newman on his memories as an Argyle player.*

Johnny joined Argyle in January 1960 from Leicester City. In 1956 he played for Birmingham in the FA Cup final defeat by Manchester City but was never able to hold a regular place in the Blues first team. In November 1957 he joined Leicester with the promise of regular league action. He was eventually appointed captain of the Foxes and it was something of a surprise when he joined Argyle.

John remembers how determined Pilgrims manager Jack Rowley was to sign him. 'He approached me on several occasions' recalls John 'but I was reasonably happy at Leicester. I was the captain there and we had managed to stave off relegation. On one occasion I had been out and when I returned home I found Rowley sat in my living room drinking tea and telling my wife how wonderful life in the South West was.'

Rowley's ploy paid off and John signed for Plymouth at the same time as the late George Kirby and Jimmy MacAearney, who is still a close friend. John again found himself in a relegation battle but the drop was avoided.

John had several highlights during his time at Home Park. He was particularly pleased to have been voted the club's first ever Player of the Year at the end of the 1965-66 season and also remembers proudly the occasion when the Football League side played at Home Park against the Irish League in September 1966. 'A member of the League squad dropped out through injury and the club received a phone call asking me to join the party. I realised I was only really there to make up the numbers but it was still a marvellous experience to be involved with Alf Ramsey and to train for a few days with some of the legends of the game such as Bobby Moore, particularly only a few weeks after England's World Cup victory. I was

named as sub but didn't get on even though we won 12-0 but I remember the occasion well and the World Cup trophy was paraded around the pitch.'

John eventually left Argyle in November 1967 when he and Alan Banks joined Exeter. Given his calm and assured manner and knowledge of the game a career in management seemed a natural progression and so it proved. In February 1969 he was asked to take charge of the Grecians following the sacking of Frank Broome. John still continued to play as well and eventually exceeded the 500 league game mark. It was the start of many successful years as a manager. With typical modesty, John puts some of his success down to luck but he eventually led Exeter to the top of the Fourth Division before joining Grimsby. From relegation candidates, he turned the Mariner's fortunes around and within two years led them to the Fourth Division championship.

With his name in the spotlight John eventually took over the reins at Derby before a move back to his home town of Hereford. At this time there was speculation that he would return to Home Park and was actually offered the Argyle manager's job after the sacking of Johnny Hore but in the end he was happy to stay at Edgar Street.

Further Argyle connections came when he assisted Bobby Saxton at York and was youth development officer at Mansfield under George Foster. He has also been involved with Burton Albion and despite being 'nearly retired' he still occasionally helps out with some coaching at Worcester City. A near neighbour of Foster, John now spends much of his time on the golf course. He still watches occasionally at Derby. 'They treat me very well there' says John 'and the wife and I are often invited to matches as guests of the club.'

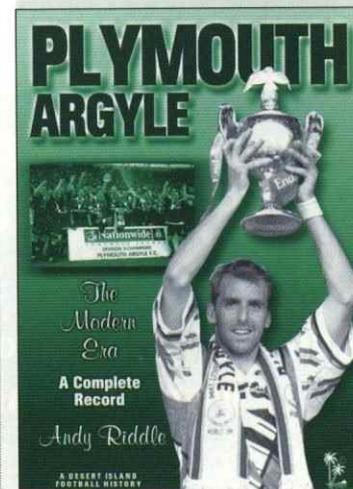
Still looking as young and fit as ever, John's quiet manner is living proof that you don't have to rant and rave at players to be a successful manager.

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# The Mildly Obsessed *by Doug & Maurice Clay*

## A Level Playing Field

In light of the financial crisis that is currently gripping professional football clubs the length and breadth of the Football League, one very interesting factor appears to be coming to the fore. It is our belief that as a direct result of the financial constraints now being placed upon clubs throughout the Football League, each Division is now far more of a level playing field than has been the case for many a year. This was the time of the year when everyone considering which clubs were odds on for promotion and relegation would simply look to the big spenders and the non-spenders/sellers, respectively. That no longer seems to be the case with few clubs, if any, actually spending any money at all on the acquisition of new players. This is borne out by the fact that spending in the First Division alone is barely a tenth of what it was at the same stage of the season last year.

As a result many clubs are being forced to operate with virtually

the same playing squads as last season, with the majority of clubs releasing far more players than they have signed, thus reducing the size of the playing squads they have available to them. To that end some 500 players who were released by clubs at the end of last season currently remain without clubs, the majority of whom in all likelihood will now remain club-less for at least the forthcoming season, if not forever.

The overall effect of all this, in our opinion, will be that rather than relying upon the cheque-book in order to achieve success, more and more clubs will have to rely upon the skills and experience of their managers and coaches. As such it will be the ability of these individuals to motivate, organise and coach their limited playing resources that will ultimately determine whether or not their clubs achieve success or failure this season, as opposed to their ability to buy success. As such this is a theme we will be returning to in a later article.



*Now a hated symbol*

Of course there will still be clubs who can afford bigger squads than others and those who can pay better wages, but that has always been the case. However, the collapse of ITV Digital has undoubtedly had an effect on all clubs within the League, both big and small. Whilst not all clubs have been affected to the same degree, those who had an over-reliance on TV money within their budgets are in now far greater trouble than those such as Argyle, whose budget wasn't so overtly reliant of these funds. The end result being that some of the biggest names within the Football League are now in a far worse financial position than many of their so called "smaller" rivals, and are thus being forced to sell off their best players, simply in order to stay afloat. This in turn merely serves to level the playing field even more.

Apparently it is the clubs in Division One who have been most affected by the ITV Digital debacle, especially those who have recently descended from the cash rich realms of the Premiership. Clubs such as Bradford City, Coventry, Nottingham Forest and Watford have huge debts that in some well-publicised cases have even gone so far as to threaten the very existence of the club. Meanwhile, relegated Leicester,

who very fortuitously managed to save £2.5 million by sacking Dennis Wise for gross misconduct, are so short of cash that they were unable to pay two members of their team for their opening league game of the season. However, both Billy McKinley and Nicky Summerbee thought it was better to be playing, and therefore able to impress potential employers, than wait for someone to come up with a suitable paycheque. This is all very admirable on their part but how long can such a situation continue?

In our own division we have clubs such as Swindon and Notts County whose futures are hanging by a thread and in the basement division below us there are a number of clubs who lead a very 'hand-to-mouth' existence.

And yet there are still clubs in the Premiership which spend money like it is going out of fashion. Manchester United always will, simply because they can. They are no longer a football team but rather a worldwide brand - a magnet to young consumers across the globe. But where do the likes of Blackburn and Fulham rate in this particular market? Both clubs have been big spenders in the transfer market of late and their wage bills are now much greater than the complete annual turnovers of the clubs, 138% and 143% respectively. Both, however, have been heavily reliant upon the generous financial assistance given by

extremely wealthy benefactors, as has Middlesborough. Then we have Chelsea, who with alleged debts of over £90 million, suddenly find their reputation as big spenders, a thing of the past.

What these clubs are doing is essentially gambling with their very futures in order to maintain an existence at 'the top table' and thus share in an ever decreasing pot of gold. Yet if they get relegated then they have no choice but to gamble even more, as failure to attain an immediate return to the top flight drastically reduces their income and their downward spiral tends to continue. With recent ex-Premiership sides such as QPR and Barnsley down amongst us in Division 2, it just goes to show how far a club can fall in just a few short seasons. In contrast, the progression of Brighton through this Division at their first attempt last season, simply proves that the reverse can be equally true.

As for the Second Division, we honestly feel it is wide open this year, containing as it does a wide variety of teams with differing circumstances. For example, there are the teams just mentioned, with their glorious recent history and current desperate financial problems who have fallen upon hard times, and the up-and-coming clubs epitomised by the likes of Wycombe and Cheltenham. Then there are clubs like Stockport, recently relegated and seemingly determined to go straight back

up judging by their buying record this summer, and those like Argyle, who have been in the doldrums for far too long but are prepared for the long haul back to greater things.

We are a club moving forward, both on and off the pitch. Our financial situation appears to be healthier than many of our competitors, our attendances are growing as befits a club which has invested heavily in smart new facilities for the fans, and we have just signed the biggest sponsorship deal in the club's history. With the success of last season still vivid in our memories, we, the fans to whom it all means so much, are being carried along on a long road to a bright future. The manager and directors are right to remind us that this long road is likely to get rocky at times and there will be times when we will be tempted to get off rather than suffer the discomfort. We would remind them that at least we can now sit in comfort when the dips come, and that's got to be better than leaning on a crash barrier in the old Devonport end.

Last season was a dream for us all. The manager and directors have a dream lasting five years and neither of us can wait to see the end result. Unfortunately, like all dreams there will be the occasional wake-up call to disturb it. But who cares, if the dream continues?

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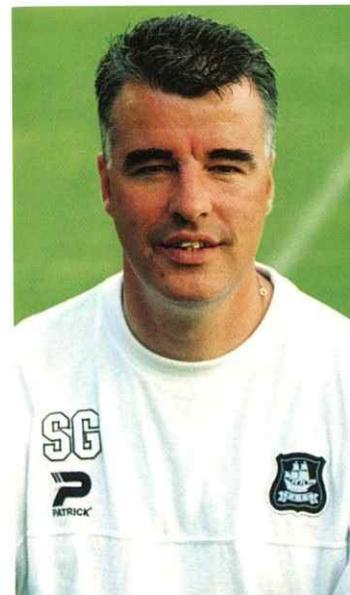


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## Youth Report



Stuart Gibson - Youth Team Manager

### RESERVES

#### Millwall 1(1) v Argyle (0) 0

Our first game back in the Avon Insurance Football Combination League saw us away at Millwall and The Den. It must have been the warmest day of the year and around 95 degrees F, out on the pitch. The game was a good game, competitive and played in a Sporting Spirit. The lads worked very hard throughout and created some chances that we failed to convert. Our opponents goal came from a penalty given away by Gary Sawyer (from my angle an

obnoxious tackle) in the middle of the first half.

For me the big plusses were, fine debuts at this level by 16 yr-old Darren Parrish at right-back and centre-back Gary Sawyer(second year scholar), who apart from the penalty did not put a foot wrong. Luke McCormick had his best game of the season and Dave Beresford worked tirelessly both going forward and defensively.

Team: McCormick, Parrish, Sawyer, Simpkins, Teagle, Broad, Wills(85), Sturrock(46), Beresford, Stonebridge(70), Keith, Subs: Coxon(46), Guppy(70), Steward(85), Barwick, Chapman(GK)

Our next game is Wycombe Wanderers at home, Tuesday 20 August, k.o. 2 pm.

Stuart Gibson

### YOUTH

#### Holsworthy 1(0) v Argyle (3)4

The youth team had their best outing last Saturday before the first league game, at Holsworthy. Albeit, we were strengthened with the presence of first team squad members Beresford, Wills, Taylor and trialist Lopes, the scholars put on a good show. Personally it was a memorable match for Robert Guppy who completed

a hat-trick. Fellow striker Stewart Yetton also netted as we ran out 4-1 winners (3-0 half-time). 'Gups' has worked very hard on his physical strength during the summer and has hit a rich vein of form. If he can keep up the hard work and carry on listening and learning he's in for a good season.

Team: Chapman, Parrish, Taylor, Steward, Sawyer, Watts, Wills, Lopes, Beresford, Guppy, Yetton. Subs: Horsell(GK), Fice, Entwistle, Kerr, Barwick, Coxon.

Stuart Gibson

### Centre of Excellence - Dave Newton

Training is going well at Plymouth School, the school have upgraded there facilities, with new changing rooms, new goalposts and extension work on the pitch making it an excellent facility. Many thanks to Paul Wilmot, who runs the facility for all the help he gives us. Training starts at Ivybridge on Sept 5th and our games start on Sept 8th. Bodmin start on Wednesday 21st August any queries about Bodmin ring Mike Beckett on 01208 72951

Enjoy the game,

Dave Newton

# Youth Report

## Youth Report

Several of our young scholars made appearances for our first Reserve fixture on Wednesday at Millwall this is a great opportunity for our young players the new reserve league will be a great experience for them. Our U/17 - U19 start their league programmes on this morning,

**U/17**  
Home  
Swansea  
11.00am,

**U/19**  
Away  
Bristol Rovers  
11.00am.

### Robert Guppy - Player Profile

Robert hails from North Devon and is a skillful striker who works hard at his game. He is in his second year of his scholarship, so this is an important time in his development.

Dave Newton.



# Youth Fixtures

## Youth Fixtures

### Plymouth Argyle Under 17's Fixtures 2002-2003 Season

Sat	Aug	17	Swansea City	h	
Sat	Aug	24	Torquay United	a	
Sat	Aug	31			In Service
Sat	Sep	7	Cardiff City	h	
Sat	Sep	14	Oxford United	a	
Sat	Sep	21	Exeter City	h	
Sat	Sep	28	Cheltenham Town	a	
Sat	Oct	5	Swindon Town	h	
Sat	Oct	19	AFC Bournemouth	h	
Sat	Oct	26			Free Week
Sat	Nov	2	Bristol Rovers	h	
Sat	Nov	9	Cirencester	a	
Sat	Nov	16	Cheltenham Town	h	
Sat	Nov	23	Swindon Town	a	
Sat	Nov	30	AFC Bournemouth	a	
Sat	Dec	14	Bristol Rovers	a	
Sat	Dec	21			Free Week
Sat	Feb	28			Xmas Week
Sat	Jan	4			In Service
Sat	Jan	11	Cirencester	h	
Sat	Jan	18	Swansea City	a	
Sat	Jan	25	Torquay United	h	
Sat	Feb	1			Free Week
Sat	Feb	8	Cardiff City	a	
Sat	Feb	15	Oxford United	h	
Sat	Feb	22	Exeter City	a	

### Plymouth Argyle Under 19's Fixtures 2002-2003 Season

Sat	Aug	17	Bristol Rovers	a	
Sat	Aug	24	Exeter City	h	
Sat	Aug	31			In Service
Sat	Sep	7	Alliance League Cup Date 1		
Sat	Sep	14	Exeter City	a	
Sat	Sep	21	Torquay United	h	
Sat	Sep	28	Torquay United	a	
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# Plymouth Argyle Ladies

*Plymouth Argyle Ladies countdown for season kick off*

Monday 12th August.  
Plymouth Argyle Ladies v  
Staddiscombe Ladies

We played 4 x 20 minutes against Staddiscombe who are a new side just entering into 11 a-side, most of their players have only played 7 a-side and for some this was the first step into competitive football. Our own keeper Kelly Miller coaches Staddiscombe Ladies. It proved to be a good experience for them; they certainly didn't lose their heads and never gave up. That's what we like to see!

Plymouth Argyle manager  
Geoff Cruddington and coach

Peter May used this as an opportunity to play Argyle's youngsters and to try out different formations, so it was a good night had by all.

Thursday 14th August will be the last training session to prepare for the big clash with league favorites Portsmouth Ladies. Last season we started our campaign against Portsmouth losing out 6-1.

Portsmouth have kept mostly the same players for 3 years, they are technically and physically strong, a well-organized outfit. They will be one of the strongest opposition we will meet this season, having finished runners up in the last 2 seasons they will want the top spot this year.

Plymouth Argyle will have key players still on holiday, but will have the reserve players available. Who ever plays on Sunday will most definitely give 110% and never give up. Looking forward to it!!

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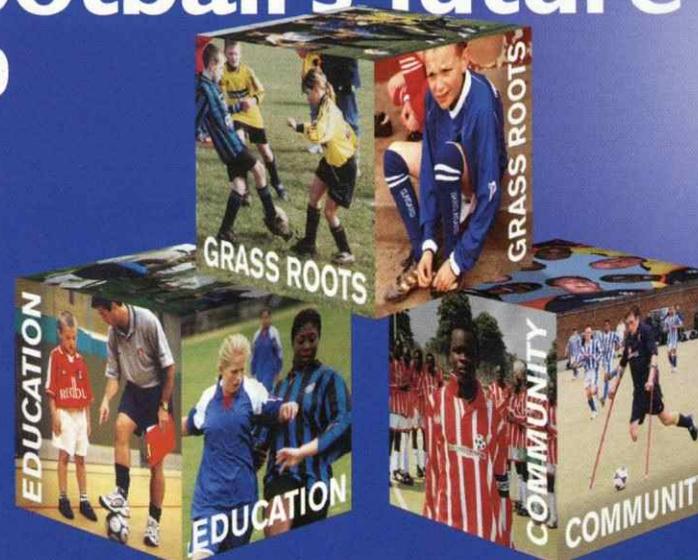
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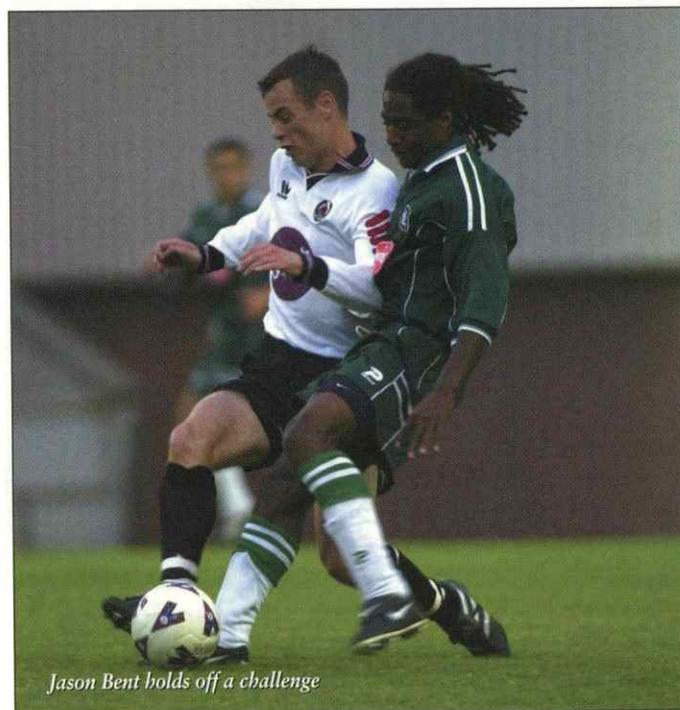
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# Game Action vs Clyde



*The French Connection – Frio, Lopes and Larrieu.*

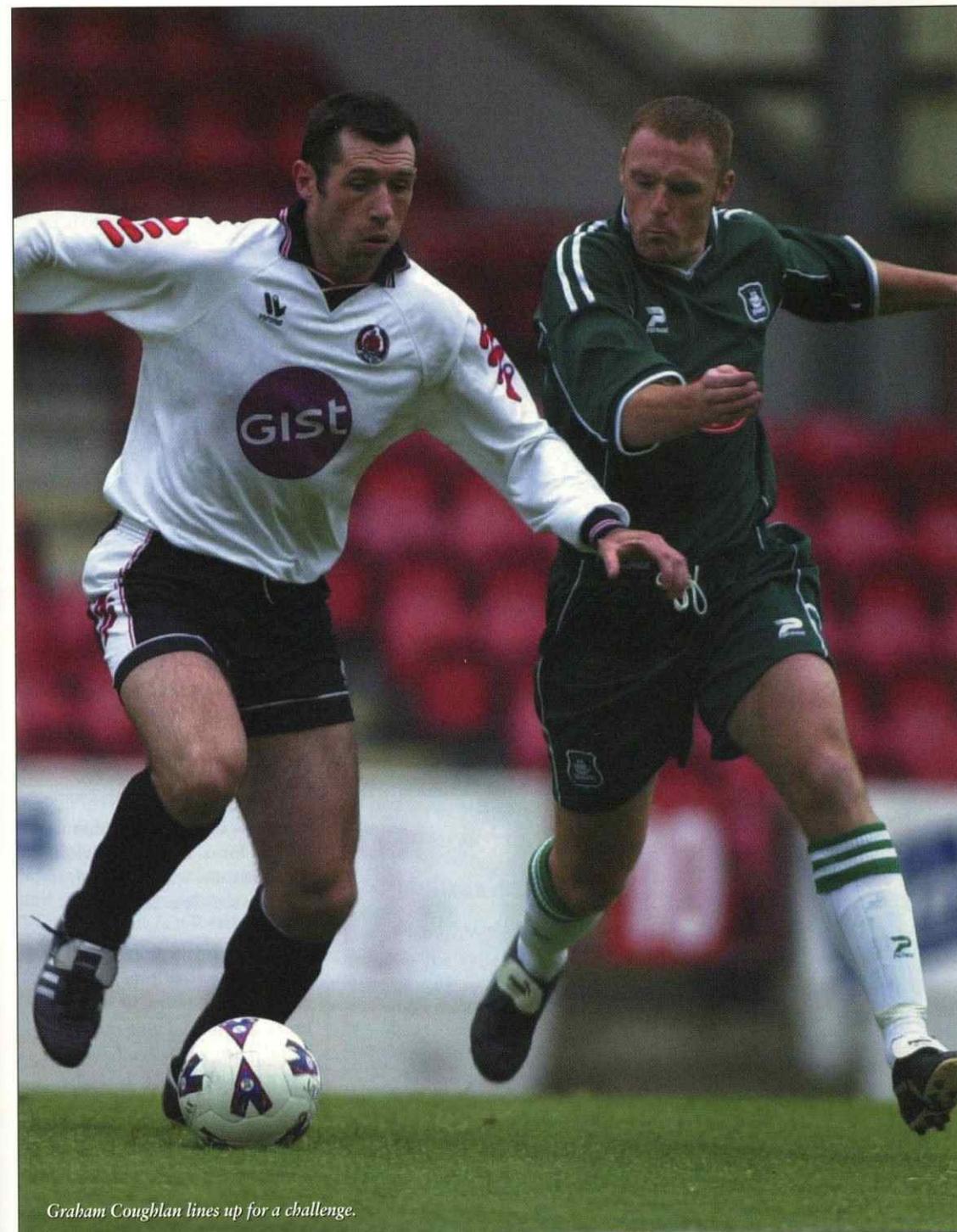


*Jason Bent holds off a challenge*



*Blair Sturrock shields the ball.*

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*Graham Coughlan lines up for a challenge.*



Cheltenham Stadium

## Travel

Please note departure times may change, Please check your tickets.

### Sat August 24th Cheltenham

Depart	-	9.30am
Members	-	£12.00
Child	-	£9
Non-Members Extra	-	£3

### Saturday August 31st Q.P.R.

Depart	-	8.00am
Members	-	£16.00
Child	-	£13
Non Members Extra	-	£3

### Tuesday September 10th Crystal Palace

Depart	-	1pm
Members	-	£16.00
Child	-	£13
Non Members Extra	-	£3



### Saturday September 14th Barnsley

Depart	-	7am
Members	-	£19.00
Child	-	£13
Non Members Extra	-	£3

### Tuesday September 28th Wycombe Wanderers

Depart	-	8am
Members	-	£16.00
Child	-	£13
Non Members Extra	-	£3

We face the journey to Whaddon Road next Saturday and a game against Cheltenham.

It has not been a happy hunting ground for us over the previous three seasons, with three defeats and one scoreless draw.

Last year saw the only real excitement at half time, when the referee forgot where he was at the break and played nine minutes extra! Then we had handbags at dawn outside the tunnel and dressing rooms.

In the second half they had a player sent off for an appalling foul on Romain Larrieu. There was a little football also thrown in there somewhere but a goalless match

was soon forgotten, if not the important away point.

The last match of last season of course saw us beat The Robins 2-0 to claim a record points haul, and also end their chances of automatic promotion. They made it through the play-offs and have faced many changes since, in staffing and style!

It is all ticket for Argyle fans - Seating: Adults £15 Students, Senior Citizens £12 and Under 14's £7

Standing: Adults £13 Students, Senior Citizens £7 and Under 14's £5

### By Road:

Head north on to the M5. Exit M5 at junction 11, follow signs to Cheltenham on A40. At first roundabout, follow signs to Cheltenham; at next, turn left.

Follow this road (Princess Elizabeth Way), turning right, and then left round Coronation Square, to big roundabout. Straight over.

About 500 yards up this road, go straight over mini-roundabout. Continue for 300 yards, and then turn right. Follow road over level crossing until reaching roundabout. Go straight over (s/p Prestbury) and after 200 yards, turn right into Albert Rd.

Follow this to end, at roundabout turn left into Prestbury Road. About 200 yards on, turn right into Whaddon Road. Pitch and car park are 300 yards on left.

### Parking

Available at the ground and in adjoining streets. Note that the

Parklands Community Association in Wymans Road also has limited parking spaces.

### From Railway Station

(Cheltenham): By taxi: Approx £5. BY BUS: Bus stop is in railway station car park. Either routes F or G to town centre, run every 10 mins. From town centre, approx 10 minute walk to ground.

### Eat, Drink & Misc

**Fox and Hounds** Prestbury Road (01242) 523 095 Close to the ground. Away supporters welcome and a pub in which many enjoyed a lock in last year, remember it was a Friday night kick off. It resulted in Andy Budge redecorating the inside in my car as we travelled back down the M5. The landlord, if he is still there, use to live in Plymouth and will be delighted to welcome you to his establishment for drinks and eats.

**Sudeley Arms** 25 Prestbury Road (01242) 510 697 Away supporters welcome. Food served until 8.30. Open: all day Kemble Brewery Inn (2) 27 Fairview St (01242) 243 446 Friendly backstreet local. Good selection of real ales. Great food at reasonable prices, lunchtimes only. Open 11.30-3, 6-11, Sat all day. Well worth a visit.

**The Conservatory Café Bar** 104-106 Wincombe St (01242) 579 090 Popular stop-off point, halfway between town centre and ground. Food served until 7 pm. Open: all day.

**Parklands Community Association** Wymans Road (01242) 526 684 Recently refurbished, nice drinking

establishment with excellent food served. Car park available.

In Whaddon Road, approx 500 yards from the ground, there's a fish and chip shop.

The ground has been greatly improved since Cheltenham entered the League with half the ground being re-developed. The latest edition is the new Wymans Road Stand that sits proudly at one side of the pitch, which was built by Barr Construction. It is a covered, all seated, single tiered stand, that contains 2,034 seats. Part of this stand is given to away supporters. On the other side of the pitch is the Main Stand, which has seating to the rear and terracing at the front. This stand straddles the half way line and does not extend for the full length of the pitch, having open spaces to either side. At one end is the terraced Cheltenham & Gloucester Stand, which has had a roof added during the close season. Opposite, the Whaddon Road End is given to away supporters. This end has a small covering on one side of the terrace. A small police control box keeps a watchful eye on matters from one corner of the ground by the away end.

The Robins intend to re-develop the Whaddon Road away end, with a covered terrace that will match the existing Cheltenham & Gloucester terracing. Then a new 5,000 all seater stand, containing executive boxes, will be built to replace the current Main Stand. However, no firm time scales have been announced as to when this will take place.

# Combination Report

## ARGYLE'S RESERVES LOSE IN LIONS' DEN by Chris Errington

### Millwall Reserves 1 Plymouth Argyle Reserves 0

Argyle were narrowly beaten in their opening Avon Insurance Combination match of the season at The New Den yesterday.

A 26th-minute penalty scored by Millwall striker Kevin Braniff after a foul by young Pilgrims' defender Gary Sawyer was all that separated the teams.

Argyle did not get international clearance for French trialist Osvaldo Lopes to take part in the match.

However, they did include one trialist - 23-year-old Cardiff City defender Michael Simpkins.

He started the match at centre-back, alongside second-year scholar Sawyer, and then moved to left-back at the start of the second half.

Simpkins, who has been training with Argyle this week, was strong in the air and comfortable on the ball but it is unlikely he will be offered a contract.

The visitors included three of their scholarship players in defence with Darren Parish and Robin Teagle at the full-back positions.

Sawyer, meanwhile, did not allow his foul for the Lions' penalty to distract him as he impressed at centre-back.

Marino Keith started as the lone striker with David Beresford and Ian Stonebridge providing the support from midfield.

Millwall, runners-up in the Combination last season, included

mainly under-19 players in their line-up.

They dominated the opening stages of the match, although Beresford went close with a 20-yard shot over the crossbar.

Millwall were rewarded for their positive start in the 26th minute when winger Barry Cogan was fouled by Sawyer just inside the penalty area.

Braniff sent goalkeeper Luke McCormick the wrong way as he converted the spot kick.

Argyle almost equalised in the 37th minute when midfielder Joe Broad picked out Beresford with a superb pass.

Beresford raced behind Lions left-back Tony Craig and unselfishly squared the ball to Keith, who seemed certain to score.

However, centre-back James Donovan made an excellent last-ditch challenge to put the ball out for a corner.

Highly-rated Millwall striker Cherno Samba then shot tamely wide on the stroke of half-time after he sped clear of the Argyle defence.

The Pilgrims reverted to a 4-4-2 formation for the second half with Stonebridge moving into attack with Keith.

Blair Sturrock, who had been in central midfield, was replaced by winger Lee Coxon who played on the right side, with Beresford moving across to the left.

Argyle enjoyed their best spell of the match as Kevin Wills drilled a low 25-yard shot narrowly wide and Beresford forced a good save from Millwall's French goalkeeper Willy Gueret.

Beresford also had a far-post header stopped by Gueret after a teasing cross from Stonebridge.

With the temperature soaring into the 80s, the players took the opportunity of every break in play to take swigs from water bottles.

Argyle could not keep up their momentum and, despite three substitutions, it was Millwall who finished the match on top.

Braniff and Samba were both off target with headers from close range and midfielder Peter Sweeney almost curled a 25-yard shot into the far corner of the net.

Substitute Mark Quigley headed over the bar and he was also denied by a good low save from McCormick.

Argyle assistant manager Kevin Summerfield said: "The conditions were really difficult - it was baking hot and we had a long journey - but we got something out of the game.

"The three or four who really needed to get the best part of a game did. I was pleased with one or two of them.

"I thought Bezzie (Beresford) played very well. He was our main threat and was the pick of the players.

"Millwall probably had more of the possession but Luke hasn't had many saves to make. We didn't really threaten their goal either.

"They (Millwall) were a very young team so I thought we should have done a bit better than we did but, for most of them, that was their first 90 minutes at a reasonable standard this season so that's a benefit."

**We give great thanks to Chris Errington and our Community Sponsors the Evening Herald for allowing us to reproduce their report from Thursday's paper.**

# Combination Fixtures - Table



## Results and Table (Matches played up to and including 14.08.02)

Cup Final	Bristol City	3	:	0	Luton Town
Bournemouth	0	:	4		Crystal Palace
Brighton	0	:	0		Southend
Cambridge	1	:	4		Cardiff
Cheltenham	0	:	1		Brentford
Colchester	1	:	1		Gillingham
Millwall	1	:	0		Plymouth
Norwich	0	:	0		Reading
Portsmouth	4	:	0		Bristol Rovers
Q.P.R.	1	:	0		Barnet
Wycombe	0	:	3		Swindon

## Avon Insurance Combination League Table

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PTS
Crystal Palace	1	1	0	0	4	0	3
Portsmouth	1	1	0	0	4	0	3
Cardiff1	1	0	0	4	1	3	
Swindon	1	1	0	0	3	0	3
Brentford	1	1	0	0	1	0	3
Millwall	1	1	0	0	1	0	3
Q.P.R.1	1	0	0	1	0	3	
Colchester	1	0	1	0	1	1	1
Gillingham	1	0	1	0	1	1	1
Brighton	1	0	1	0	0	0	1
Norwich	1	0	1	0	0	0	1
Reading	1	0	1	0	0	0	1
Southend	1	0	1	0	0	0	1
Barnet	1	0	1	1	0	1	0
Cheltenham	1	0	0	1	0	1	0
Plymouth	1	0	0	1	0	1	0
Cambridge	1	0	0	1	1	4	0
Wycombe	1	0	0	1	0	3	0
Bournemouth	1	0	0	1	0	4	0
Bristol Rovers	1	0	0	1	0	4	0
Bristol City	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Leyton Orient	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Luton	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Northampton	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Oxford	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Peterborough	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

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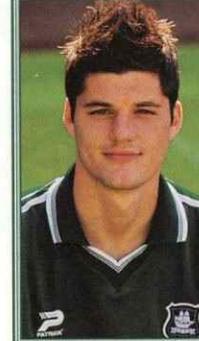
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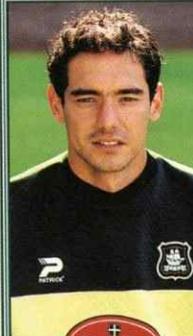
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	LEAGUE	1		
	CUP			

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Clubs Comparison

Goals Scored

31	Shots	49
22	Headers	27
11	Volleys	15
4	Penalties	4
1	Free Kicks	0
2	Own Goals	1



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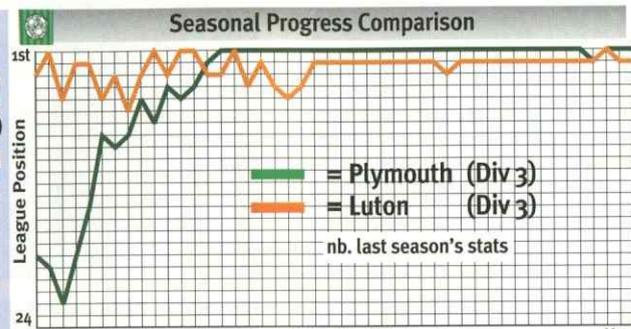
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14	16-30 mins	14
13	31-45 mins	21
11	46-60 mins	18
10	61-75 mins	17
13	75-90 mins	21

Last 6 Form Guide

4	Won	5
1	Drawn	1
1	Lost	0
9	For	19
2	Against	4
13	Points	16
7	Goal Difference	15
WLDWWW	Sequence	WWWWDW
WWWWDW	Last 5 Home	WWWWD
WWLWW	Last 5 Away	WWWWD

Yellow & Red Cards

44	Yellow	93
1	Red	6



2001-2002 Attendances

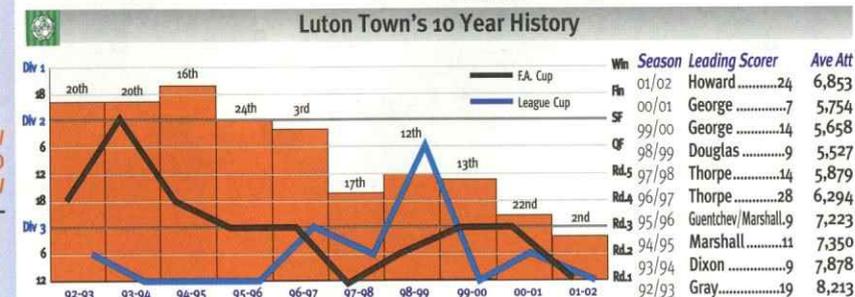
Pilgrims	202,124	Hatters	157,618
Aggregate	18,517	Highest	9,585
	3,850	Lowest	5,066
	8,788	Average	6,853
	44	% of Capacity	69

Average Goals per game

1.54	For	2.09
1.78	Home For	2.17
1.30	Away For	2.00
0.61	Against	1.04
0.48	Home Against	0.78
0.74	Away Against	1.30

2001-2002 Figures

24	Players Used	35
27	Clean Sheets	17
9	Failed to Score	4
12	Goals from Corners	10
14	Goals from Free Kicks	12
273	Total Corners	282
490	Total Fouls	763
140	Total Offsides	216
25	Hit Woodwork	19



Swings

PA	Games Won from:	LT
0	3 Goals Down	0
1	2 Goals Down	0
5	1 Goal Down	8
0	3 Goals Up	0
0	2 Goals Up	0
2	1 Goal Up	2

10 Year Record

Pilgrims	Avg Pos.	Hatters
68.8	among 92 clubs	52.3
6,377	Avg Att 1992	8,213
8,788	Avg Att 2002	6,853
38	+ / - %	-17

Margins

17	Won by 1 Gl	12
8	Won by 2 Gls	9
6	Won by 3 Gls	6
0	Won by 4 Gls	2
0	Won by 5+ Gls	1
4	Lost by 1 Gl	7
2	Lost by 2 Gls	0
0	Lost by 3 Gls	2
0	Lost by 4 Gls	0
0	Lost by 5+ Gls	0

Top League Scorers

11	League Goals	24
46	Games Played	42
0.24	Lge Goals/Game	0.57
6	Points Gained	9
2	Scoring Run	4
0	Hat-Tricks	1
10	Close Range	14
1	Inside Area	9
0	Long Range	1
3	Shots	11
7	Headers	11
1	Volleys	2
0	Penalties	0
0	Direct FKs	0

Game Averages

6.00	Goal Attempts:	6.24
6.09	On Target	6.20
5.93	Off Target	6.43
10.65	Corners	16.59
3.04	Fouls	4.70
	Offsides	

DIVISION 2 STATS 2001-02

WINNING MARGINS

Games won by:	1 gl	2 gls	3 gls	4+
Bournemouth	4	4	1	1
Blackpool	6	3	3	2
Brentford	10	6	5	3
Brighton	18	3	2	2
Bristol City	8	9	4	0
Bury	7	3	1	0
Cambridge	4	2	1	0
Cardiff	11	9	2	1
Chesterfield	8	4	0	1
Colchester	8	6	1	0
Huddersfield	14	5	1	1
Northampton	8	2	4	0
Notts County	6	5	1	1
Oldham	5	10	2	1
Peterborough	6	4	3	2
Port Vale	9	4	2	1
QPR	14	2	2	1
Reading	10	10	3	0
Stoke	10	8	2	3
Swindon	6	7	2	0
Tranmere	8	5	0	3
Wigan	7	4	3	2
Wrexham	7	3	0	1
Wycombe	11	3	3	0

FULL GROUNDS - ATTENDANCES

Club	Total	% Capacity
Brighton	151,745	94
Northampton	120,809	69
Wycombe	153,674	67
Cardiff	288,025	63
Chesterfield	100,999	63
QPR	270,219	61
Reading	324,641	58
Blackpool	131,117	56
Bournemouth	116,568	53
Brentford	154,421	53
Bristol City	258,071	52
Tranmere	199,076	52
Colchester	88,295	51
Stoke	321,208	50

CLEAN SHEETS

Gms without conceding	Lge Pos
Reading	22
Brighton	20
Stoke	20
Bournemouth	18
Brentford	19
Bristol City	15
QPR	15
Tranmere	15
Cardiff	14
Huddersfield	14
Notts County	14
Swindon	14
Oldham	13
Wigan	13
Wycombe	13
Chesterfield	11
Peterborough	10
Port Vale	10
Bournemouth	9
Northampton	9
Blackpool	8
Bury	7
Wrexham	7
Colchester	6
Cambridge	4

FAILED TO SCORE

Gms without scoring	Lge Pos
Cambridge	20
Swindon	20
Bournemouth	18
Bury	17
Port Vale	17
Northampton	16
QPR	15
Chesterfield	14
Wrexham	14
Peterborough	13
Wycombe	13
Blackpool	12
Huddersfield	11
Notts County	11
Stoke	11
Tranmere	11
Brighton	10
Bristol City	10
Colchester	10
Wigan	10
Brentford	9
Reading	8
Oldham	7
Cardiff	5

SEQUENCES:

CONSECUTIVE WINS:

Brentford	7
Reading	7
Bristol City	5
Cardiff	5
Brighton	4
Huddersfield	4
Notts County	4
Port Vale	4
QPR	4
Stoke	4

UNDEFEATED RUN:

Cardiff	13
Reading	13
Brighton	12
Wigan	12
Wycombe	11
Huddersfield	10
Stoke	10
Tranmere	9
Brentford	8
Port Vale	8

LOSING STREAK:

Bury	8
Notts County	6
Brentford	5
Cambridge	5
Chesterfield	5
Northampton	5
Wrexham	5
Bournemouth	4
Colchester	4
Oldham	4

NO WINS:

Cambridge	13
Notts County	13
Bournemouth	11
Bury	11
Peterborough	10
Blackpool	8
Oldham	8
Chesterfield	7
Northampton	7

HIGHEST & LOWEST ATTENDANCES

Premiership

67,683	Man U v Mid'boro
15,412	Leics C v Midboro

Division 1

34,657	Man City v Ports
4,086	Stockport v Watf

Division 2

23,019	Stoke v Port Vale
2,379	Cam.U v Port Vale

Division 3

18,517	Plym v Cheltenham
1,227	Halifax v Kidd'min

HEADED GOALS

Cardiff	22
Stoke	20
Huddersfield	17
Northampton	16
Oldham	16
Peterborough	16
Tranmere	16
Blackpool	15
Bournemouth	14
Chesterfield	14
Reading	14

PENALTY GOALS CONC

Notts County	12
Bury	10
Cambridge	9
Northampton	7
Wrexham	7
Blackpool	6
Bristol City	6
Oldham	5
Tranmere	5

GOALS FROM OUTSIDE THE AREA

SCORED	Gls	Total	%	CONCEDED	Gls	Total	%
Swindon	14	46	30	Bournemouth	17	71	24
Notts County	17	59	29	Wrexham	21	89	24
Tranmere	18	63	29	Wigan	11	51	22
Wrexham	13	56	23	Huddersfield	10	47	21
Chesterfield	12	53	23	Colchester	16	76	21
Huddersfield	13	65	20	Brentford	9	43	21
Bournemouth	11	56	20	Blackpool	14	69	20
Brentford	15	77	19	Swindon	11	56	20
Peterborough	12	64	19	Chesterfield	11	65	17
Bristol City	12	68	18	Cambridge	15	93	16
Reading	12	70	17	Bury	12	75	16
Oldham	13	77	17	Wycombe	10	64	16

GOALS PER GAME - THE MOST CONSISTENT STRIKERS

Player:	Zamora	McKenzie	Allsopp	Thomson	Walker	Liddell	Knight	Peacock	Owusu	Ramrell	Earnshaw	Murphy
Lge/WCF/ALDN	28/2/2/0	18/0/1/1	19/4/2/3	21/0/0/0	8/0/0/3	17/0/0/0	16/0/1/0	15/0/0/2	20/1/0/0	11/0/2/0	11/1/2/0	13/0/2/4
Total Gls	32	20	28	21	11	17	17	17	21	13	14	19
Games	46	35	51	39	23	36	37	38	48	30	34	48
Gls/Game	0.70	0.57	0.55	0.54	0.48	0.47	0.46	0.45	0.44	0.43	0.41	0.40

# Match Facts

DATE	OPPONENTS	VENUE	SCORE	ATT	REFEREE	POS	1 Romain Larrieu	2 Dave Worrell	3 Brian McGlinchey	4 David Frito	5 Graham Coughlan	6 Craig Taylor	7 David Beresford	8 Nathan Lowndes	10 Ian Stonebridge	11 Martin Phillips	12 Steve Adams	14 Lee Hodges	15 Paul Wotton	17 Kevin Willis	19 Marino Keith	20 Jason Bent	21 Blair Sturrock	22 Joe Broad	23 Luke McCormick	24 Stuart Malcolm	25 Neil Heaney
Sat Aug 10	Mansfield Town	a	4-3	5,309	G.B. Frankland	15	●	●	●	●	●			■	●	●	●				●	■					
<b>Tue Aug 13</b>	<b>HUDDERSFIELD TOWN</b>	<b>h</b>	<b>2-1</b>	<b>8,953</b>	<b>B. Curson</b>	<b>12</b>	●	●	●	●				●	●	●	●				■	■			●		
<b>Sat Aug 17</b>	<b>LUTON TOWN</b>	<b>h</b>																									
Sat Aug 24	Cheltenham Town	a																									
<b>Mon Aug 26</b>	<b>BRISTOL CITY (1pm)</b>	<b>h</b>																									
Sat Aug 31	Queens Park Rangers	a																									
<b>Sat Sep 7</b>	<b>CARDIFF CITY</b>	<b>h</b>																									
Tue Sep 10	Crystal Palace	a																									
Sat Sep 14	Barnsley	a																									
Tue Sep 17	Peterborough United	a																									
<b>Sat Sep 21</b>	<b>CHESTERFIELD</b>	<b>h</b>																									
Sat Sep 28	Wycombe Wanderers	a																									
Wed Oct 2	Worthington Cup 2																										
<b>Sat Oct 5</b>	<b>NORTHAMPTON TOWN</b>	<b>h</b>																									
<b>Sat Oct 12</b>	<b>WIGAN ATHLETIC</b>	<b>h</b>																									
Sat Oct 19	Crewe Alexandra	a																									
<b>Sat Oct 26</b>	<b>BLACKPOOL</b>	<b>h</b>																									
Tue Oct 29	Brentford	a																									
Sat Nov 2	Tranmere Rovers	a																									
Wed Nov 6	Worthington Cup 3																										
<b>Sat Nov 9</b>	<b>OLDHAM ATHLETIC</b>	<b>h</b>																									
Sat Nov 16	FA Cup 1																										
<b>Sat Nov 23</b>	<b>STOCKPORT COUNTY</b>	<b>h</b>																									
Sat Nov 30	Colchester United	a																									
Sat Dec 4	Worthington Cup 4																										
Sat Dec 7	FA Cup 2																										
<b>Sat Dec 14</b>	<b>SWINDON TOWN</b>	<b>h</b>																									
Sat Dec 21	Port Vale	a																									
Sat Dec 26	Bristol City	a																									
<b>Sat Dec 28</b>	<b>NOTTS COUNTY</b>	<b>h</b>																									
<b>Wed Jan 1</b>	<b>CHELTENHAM TOWN</b>	<b>h</b>																									
Sat Jan 4	Huddersfield Town (FAC 3)	a																									
Sat Jan 11	Luton Town	a																									
<b>Sat Jan 18</b>	<b>QUEENS PARK RANGERS</b>	<b>h</b>																									
Sat Jan 25	Notts County (FAC 4)	a																									
<b>Sat Feb 1</b>	<b>MANSFIELD TOWN</b>	<b>h</b>																									
Sat Feb 8	Oldham Athletic	a																									
<b>Sat Feb 15</b>	<b>TRANMERE ROVERS</b>	<b>h</b>																									
Sat Feb 22	Cardiff City	a																									
<b>Sat Mar 1</b>	<b>BARNSELY</b>	<b>h</b>																									
<b>Tue Mar 4</b>	<b>PETERBOROUGH UNITED</b>	<b>h</b>																									
Sat Mar 8	Chesterfield	a																									
Sat Mar 15	Blackpool	a																									
<b>Tue Mar 18</b>	<b>CREWE ALEXANDRA</b>	<b>h</b>																									
<b>Sat Mar 22</b>	<b>BRENTFORD</b>	<b>h</b>																									
Sat Mar 29	Wigan Athletic	a																									
<b>Sat Apr 5</b>	<b>COLCHESTER UNITED</b>	<b>h</b>																									
Sat Apr 12	Stockport County	a																									
<b>Sat Apr 19</b>	<b>PORT VALE</b>	<b>h</b>																									
Wed Apr 23	Swindon Town	a																									
Sat Apr 26	Northampton Town	a																									
<b>Sat May 3</b>	<b>WYCOMBE WANDERERS</b>	<b>h</b>																									

● = Appearance   ● = Goal Scored   ● = Substituted   ■ = Used Substitute   ■ = Used Substitute & Goal Scored   ● = Yellow Card   ● = Red Card



## Full Division Two Fixtures Today

Barnsley	v	QPR
Blackpool	v	Swindon
Brentford	v	Oldham
Cardiff	v	Northampton
Chesterfield	v	Port Vale
Crewe	v	Colchester
Peterborough	v	Huddersfield
Plymouth	v	Luton
Stockport	v	Notts County
Tranmere	v	Cheltenham
Wigan	v	Bristol City
Wycombe	v	Mansfield



## Nationwide Football League Division Two 2002-2003

	P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	PTS
1 Swindon	2	1	0	0	3	1	1	0	0	4	2	6
2 Cardiff	2	1	0	0	3	1	1	0	0	2	1	6
3 Wigan	2	1	0	0	3	2	1	0	0	2	0	6
4 Brentford	2	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	2	0	6
5 Tranmere	2	0	1	0	1	1	1	0	0	4	1	4
6 Notts County	2	0	1	0	1	1	1	0	0	3	0	4
7 QPR	2	1	0	0	3	1	0	1	0	1	1	4
8 Colchester	2	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	1	4
9 Blackpool	2	1	0	0	5	2	0	0	1	0	2	3
10 Bristol City	2	1	0	0	2	0	0	0	1	0	1	3
11 Mansfield	2	1	0	0	4	3	0	0	1	2	3	3
<b>12 Plymouth</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>3</b>
13 Peterborough	2	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	3	2	3
14 Oldham	2	0	0	1	1	2	1	0	0	1	0	3
15 Northampton	2	0	1	0	1	1	0	1	0	1	1	2
16 Wycombe	2	0	1	0	1	1	0	1	0	1	1	2
17 Stockport	2	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	1	1
18 Barnsley	2	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	3	1
19 Cheltenham	2	0	0	1	0	2	0	1	0	1	1	1
20 Crewe	2	0	0	1	0	3	0	1	0	1	1	1
21 Huddersfield	2	0	0	1	0	2	0	0	1	1	2	0
22 Luton	2	0	0	1	2	3	0	0	1	2	5	0
23 Chesterfield	2	0	0	1	2	4	0	0	1	1	3	0
24 Port Vale	2	0	0	1	1	4	0	0	1	1	3	0

Division 2 Table correct at time of going to press



# Team Check

Tuesday 17th August 2002 vs Luton Town Kick Off 3.00 pm



Plymouth **Luton**

Final Score \_\_\_\_\_

Half Time Score \_\_\_\_\_

Scorers \_\_\_\_\_

Yellow Cards \_\_\_\_\_

Red Cards \_\_\_\_\_

Attendance \_\_\_\_\_

Referee: Mr T.A. Parkes

Assistant Referees: Mr. M. Mullarkey 

Mr. L.W. Probert 

4th Official: I. Ansell



**Don't Forget!!**

The Next Game  
At Home Park Is On  
**Monday Aug. 26th**  
Against **Bristol City**  
**Kick Off 1 pm**

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- 1 Romain LARRIEU
- 2 David WORRELL
- 3 Brian McGLINCHEY
- 4 David FRIIO
- 5 Graham COUGHLAN
- 6 Craig TAYLOR
- 7 David BERESFORD
- 8 Nathan LOWNDES
- 9 Michael EVANS
- 10 Ian STONEBRIDGE
- 11 Martin PHILLIPS
- 12 Steve ADAMS
- 14 Lee HODGES
- 15 Paul WOTTON
- 17 Kevin WILLS
- 19 Marino KEITH
- 20 Jason BENT
- 21 Blair STURROCK
- 22 Joe BROAD
- 23 Luke McCORMICK
- 24 Stuart MALCOLM
- 25 Neil HEANEY

- 1 Mark OVENDALE
- 2 Aaron SKELTON
- 3 Alan NEILSON
- 4 Matthew SPRING
- 5 Russell PERRETT
- 6 Marvin JOHNSON
- 7 Adrian FORBES
- 8 Kevin NICHOLLS
- 9 Tony THORPE
- 10 Carl GRIFFITHS
- 11 Steve ROBINSON
- 12 Chris COYNE
- 14 Andrew FOTIADIS
- 15 Dean CROWE
- 16 Carl EMBERSON
- 17 Emmerson BOYCE
- 18 Ahmet BRKOVIC
- 19 Steven HOWARD
- 20 Peter HOLMES
- 21 Paul HUGHES
- 22 David BAYLISS
- 23 Ian HILLIER
- 31 Alan KIMBLE
- 32 Lee MANSELL
- 36 Rob GILLMAN
- 38 Michael LEARY
- 39 Stephen O'LEARY
- 40 James OSBORN
- 41 Kevin FOLEY