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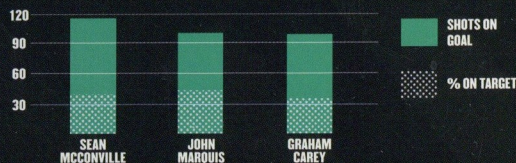


LUTON TOWN  
37,791



PLYMOUTH ARGYLE  
32,360

## LEAGUE ONE PLAYER SHOTS AT GOAL



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## 2018-19 LEAGUE ONE BEST 1ST HALF GOAL DIFFERENCES



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92,400



17,100



23,100



91,710

46,821



## TODAY'S INTERVIEW

It is a strange one but, at the same time, we both know where the line is and we know not to cross it



### Career Stats



### Favourite footballer...







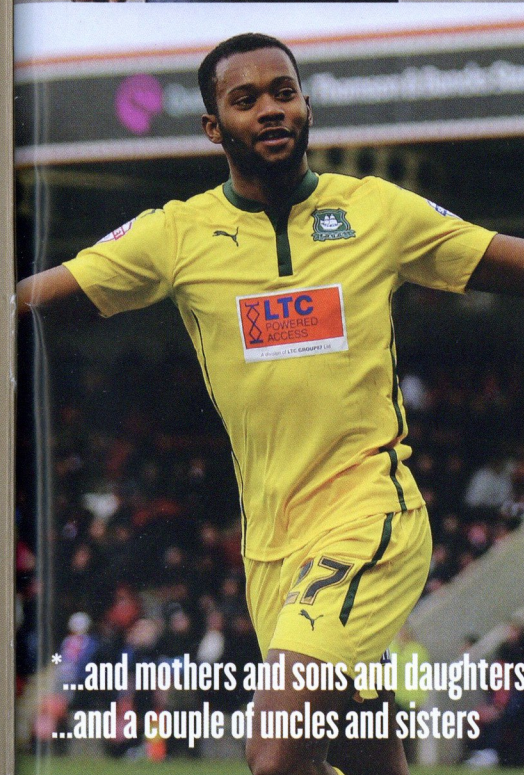
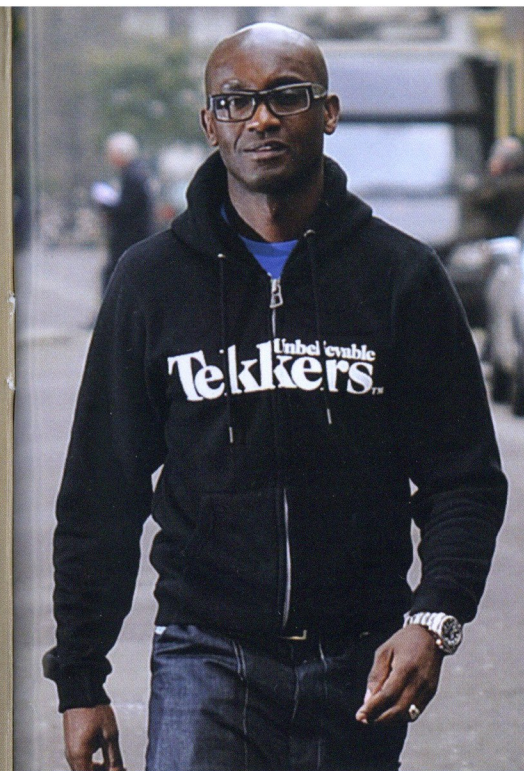
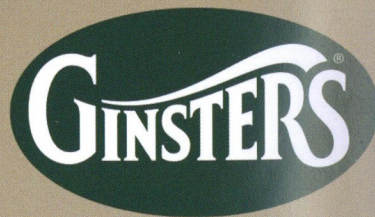
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## Pilgrim Fathers\*

RELATIVELY speaking, we have been looking at some interesting family connections of past and present Pilgrims. **GEORGE FORSEY** looks at son whose scoring technique was learned from his dad.

**UNBELIEVABLE** tekkers" is a phrase synonymous with the Ansah family, whether in reference to father Andy's TV career, or the goal scored by son Zak for Argyle against Wycombe in the play-off semi-final.

The 25-yard screamer, at a packed Home Park, brought the Green Army to their feet and is still fondly remembered by Argyle fans.

Andy Ansah was a professional footballer, playing as a midfielder for Southend United throughout the 1990s, when he amassed more than 150 appearances for the Shrimpers.

However, Andy is perhaps better known for featuring on "Wayne Rooney's Street Striker" a TV show that aimed to find the most skilful street footballer in the United Kingdom.

Andy was a consultant on the show, in which he famously coined the phrase "unbelievable tekkers" a saying that quickly became ingrained in football fan culture with SoccerAM basing a new skill-based segment around the saying.

Andy even went onto make a "Tekkers" clothing brand off the back of the quote, featuring printed T-shirts and hoodies.

Zak followed in his father's footsteps, also becoming professional footballer, albeit playing further forward as a striker.

The youngster started his career in the Arsenal youth set-up and showed excellent promise, representing England at Under-16 and Under-17 level.

However, his fledgling career was plagued by injuries, with two separate anterior cruciate ligament tears preventing him from making any appearances for the Gunners.

Zak left Arsenal for Charlton, where he worked with Under-21 manager Jason Euell, before moving out on loan to Argyle towards the back end of the 2014-15 campaign.

That season, he played 10 games for Argyle, scoring twice – including that wonder strike against Wycombe.

After his loan spell with the Pilgrims ended, Zak featured for Newport County before dropping down into non-league with Woking Town.

Now, at the age of 24, Zak is enjoying a resurgence in his career at Hythe Town, playing in the Isthmian League South East Division.

He joined them last January and, by the end of the 2017-18 season, he had scored 20 goals, including 13 in ten consecutive games. This season, he has already netted 29 times in all competitions, including two hat-tricks.





# Argyle Rochdale

**5** Ladapo 26, 75  
Edwards 61  
Threlkeld 85  
Ashley-Brown 90+4

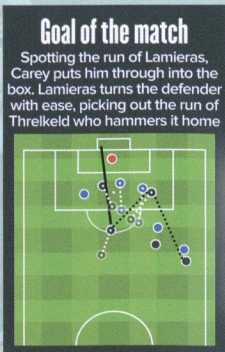
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**Argyle (4-2-3-1)**  
21 Kyle Letheren  
23 Ashley Smith-Brown  
5 Ryan Edwards  
14 Niall Canavan,  
3 Gary Sawyer (capt)  
8 David Fox  
(26 Oscar Threlkeld 81)  
4 Yann Songo'o  
7 Antoni Sarcevic  
11 Ruben Lameiras  
10 Graham Carey  
19 Freddie Ladapo.  
**Substitutes (not used):** 1 Matt Macey (gk), 2 Joe Riley, 9 Ryan Taylor, 25 Scott Wootton  
**Booked:** Sarcevic 67

**Rochdale (4-2-3-1)**  
24 Andy Lonergan  
2 Ryan McLaughlin  
6 Ethan Ebanks-Landell  
5 Ryan Delaney  
39 Joe Bunney  
7 Stephen Dooley  
(9 Calvin Andrew half-time)  
10 Callum Camps  
27 Ethan Hamilton  
16 Matt Done  
23 Rory Holden  
(19 Bradden Inman half-time)  
40 Ian Henderson (capt)  
**Substitutes (not used):** 4 Jimmy McNulty, 18 Aaron Wilbraham, 25 Daniel Adshead, 31 Bradley Wade (gk), 41 Luke Matheson  
**Sent-off:** Ebanks Landell 58  
**Booked:** Camps 72

**Referee:** Chris Sarginson  
**Attendance:** 9,360 (146 away)  
**Man of the Match:** David Fox



**0** Kick-Off

**22** Save: Andy Lonergan from Yann Songo'o

**25** Save: Andy Lonergan from Gary Sawyer

**26** Goal: Freddie Ladapo, assisted by Ruben Lameiras. Argyle 1 Rochdale 0

**33** Save: Andy Lonergan from Graham Carey

**36** Save: Andy Lonergan from Ruben Lameiras

**45+2** Half-Time: Argyle 1 Rochdale 0

**Half-Time**  
Substitution: Bradden Inman replaces Rory Holden

**Half-Time**  
Substitution: Calvin Andrew replaces Stephen Dooley

**48** Goal: Matt Done, no assist. Argyle 1 Rochdale 1

**58** Red Card: Ethan Ebanks-Landell, for deliberate handball

**61** Goal: Ryan Edwards, assisted by Graham Carey. Argyle 2 Rochdale 1

**67** Yellow Card: Antoni Sarcevic, for simulation.

**68** Save: Kyle Letheren from Ryan McLaughlin

**73** Save: Andy Lonergan from Graham Carey

**75** Goal: Freddie Ladapo, no assist. Argyle 3 Rochdale 1

**81** Substitution: Oscar Threlkeld replaces David Fox

**85** Goal: Oscar Threlkeld, assisted by Ruben Lameiras. Argyle 4 Rochdale 1

**88** Substitution: Paul Anderson replaces Graham Carey

**90+1** Substitution: Lloyd Jones replaces Niall Canavan

**90+2** Save: Andy Lonergan from Antoni Sarcevic

**90+4** Goal: Ashley Smith-Brown, assisted by Ruben Lameiras. Argyle 5 Rochdale 1

**90+5** Full Time



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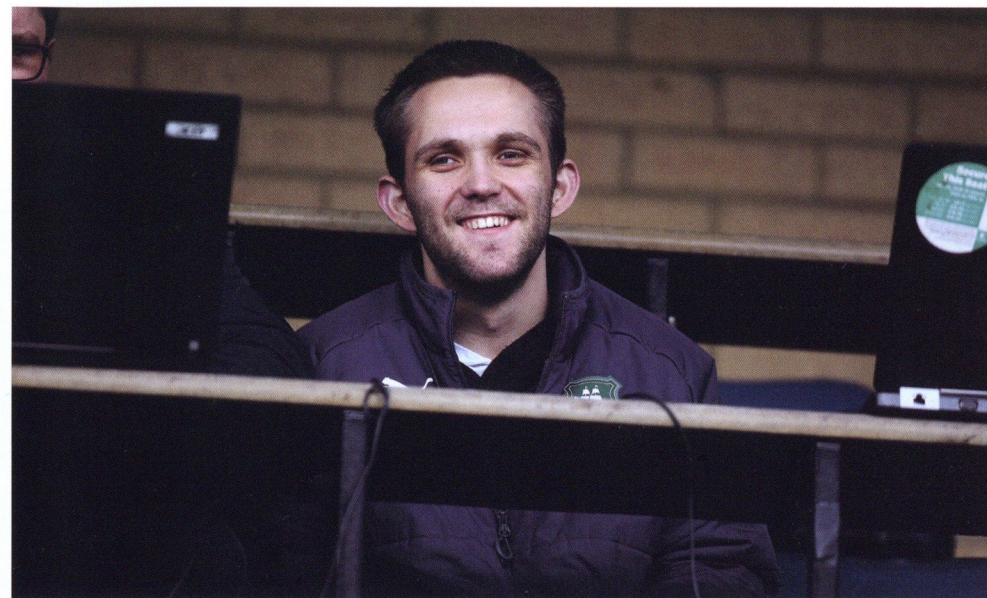
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# CHOCOLATE THURSDAYS

MY name is **NINO ROBERTSON**; I am 23; and, as a result of being born three months prematurely – in Alicante, Spain (hence my first name) – I have cerebral palsy. This is my life...



**W**ITH the great run that the team has been on since the start of the year, I would like to further illustrate the feel-good factor at Home Park.

As everyone at the football club knows, I am delighted to be here, but that happiness has, in my opinion, been a long time coming.

Before I was involved with Argyle, it did take a while for me to settle in England, as it would anyone else in a completely different environment. The majority of my family and friends are back in Scotland, so

it was always going to be tough.

Now that both the team and I have found some consistency, Home Park is more enjoyable than ever.

The Theatre of Greens is also the host to what we call "Chocolate Thursdays." There is a chocolate club, which has only two members: myself and first-team coach Kevin Nancekivell.

Every Thursday, we take turns to share chocolate bars (normally a Yorkie with raisin and biscuit.) Confectionery and football – what more could you want? It is just a nice touch, a routine. You can be assured that Kev is sharp on a Thursday

afternoon. "What have you got today?" he says.

People might think it is not a big deal, but the fact is that Nance does not have to come and chat, but he does, and, in my view, that in itself shows a bond.

What I enjoy most about a Thursday is talking to Nance about stories from his career. I like talking and learning about football; his different experiences; the players that he played with; what his highs and lows were; and, of course, testing his football knowledge.

I feel I am in environment where you can have a chat. The lovely aspect of it is that I feel everyone is the same in the sense

that, whether it be the manager Derek Adams or any one of the first-team squad, everyone is approachable. That is a good thing to have. It is probably just as important as the performances on the park.

I understand that people in my position who have supported Argyle all their life could be over-awed by mingling with their heroes, but there are no egos here. Laughter, as well as common goal of trying to push Argyle forward, can only be a good combination.

For me, I feel the stadium is aptly named Home Park because it is starting to feel like part of where my heart is.



WHAT is it that makes us the club that we are? We sat down and started compiling a list. Then, we realised that we did not need to do that because **DAN WHELAN** is much better equipped to explore the quintessence of what it is that allows us uniquely to say ...

# #WEAREARGYLE

## Loathing Luton

**I HAVE only ever been to Luton once and it was not an enjoyable experience.**

I was dropped off at the airport there after our play-off final defeat to Wimbledon in 2016, for my flight back to Barcelona.

I sat eating an overpriced BLT, my Argyle shirt proudly displayed in a show of teary-eyed defiance, while I waited for my plane.

There were no other Argyle fans that I could see, but there were a few Wimbledon supporters equally proudly donning their blue and yellow strips. One of them, a man so tall he had to duck down as he walked through the metal detector, caught my eye.

We stood there for a few moments, looking at each other. I gave him a wry smile as if to say a begrudging 'well done and no hard feelings' and waited for him to flash me a sympathetic, knowing look.

It never came, he turned around as if he had not seen me and busied himself with the contents of his plastic tray. Other passengers stuffed 'phones back into pockets and argued

with security staff about whether Sudacrem is a liquid, oblivious to my suffering.

Anyone who has been to Luton Airport will have probably noticed its bizarre lack of chairs. To add insult to injury on what had already been a fairly forgettable day, my flight was delayed and I, along with 200 other passengers, was forced to stand in a drab concourse without a chair in sight.

When the 'plane finally took off, I was overjoyed to be out of Luton. This is a feeling that many away supporters will have experienced this season when watching Kenilworth Road shrink in their rearview mirrors.

Indeed, it has been hard to feel anything other than admiration for the Hatters this season, but it was not always this way.

Luton Town have long since been a source of chagrin for Argyle fans. Ill-feeling between the two clubs can be traced back as far as 2001, when Joe Kinnear started antagonizing the Green Army.

The two clubs were locked in a race for the Division Three title back in 2001-02 and after Argyle came from behind to beat Luton 2-1 in the

September of that season Kinnear reacted angrily, referring to Argyle as a bunch of 'odds and sods' and Graham Coughlan as a 'Joe Soap centre-half', whatever that means.

In the return fixture, Argyle fell to a 2-0 defeat at Kenilworth Road. Unsurprisingly, given his gift for talking complete nonsense, Kinnear labelled the game a 'massacre'.

"We had more will to win," he said. "We had the better opportunities. We slaughtered them down the sides. I just don't think they could cope. I thought they might s\*\*t themselves."

An odd summary of a game which remained goalless until ten minutes from time.

These kind of remarks were a feature of our championship-winning campaign and, at the end of the season, Kinnear claimed that in fact the best team had not won the league despite Argyle's record 102 points tally, five more than his Hatters.

The Green Army responded to Kinnear's constant tripe in kind by devoting a wittily worded chant to the Luton gaffer. You might remember the one – it made reference to his height and weight

whilst also alluding to his medical history.

The aforementioned airport and an overweight manager aside, there are other reasons for not liking Luton, especially from an Argyle perspective.

Sonny Bradley, the tattooed talisman who had a happy knack of popping up with important headers at crucial moments, swapped Luton for Argyle in the summer.

I was furious. Sonny's seven goals in our promotion-winning campaign a couple of years ago harked back to the escapades of Graham Coughlan at the turn of the century. In the same season that we beat Luton to the title, Cocko finished as our top scorer, not bad for a Joe Soap centre-half.

Sonny's departure was hard to swallow and whilst he no doubt secured himself a deserved lucrative deal, I found it hard to imagine why anyone would want to swap the beauty of the Barbican and the tranquility of the Hoe for Luton.

I wanted to get my head around this so I spoke to Fergus McLardy, the man in charge of transforming Luton's business district, about what Luton has to offer to a handsome

**"WE HAVE BEEN THERE BEFORE, REMEMBER. WHEN SOUTHAMPTON CAME CALLING BACK IN 2004 PAUL STURROCK LEFT US ON THE CUSP OF PROMOTION"**



centre-back with an eye for goal.

It turns out that, like its football team, the town of Luton is very much on the up. Mr McLardy talked about a recently refurbished Victorian museum; major redevelopments to the Hat District; and significant development to Bedfordshire University and the airport.

Add to this, the recent approval the football club received for a new ground and the image of Luton becomes one of dazzling infrastructure and conscientious investment in the future. The signing of Sonny Bradley can also be placed in this category.

The message from Mr McLardy was clear. "Don't believe all that you hear – there is a lot to enjoy about Luton" he said.

We have battled with them for promotion, been insulted by their manager and had our squad plundered and yet, in January, when misfortune befell this afternoon's opponents, instead of pointing a mocking finger in the general direction of Bedfordshire, I found myself feeling sorry for them.

When their former manager Nathan Jones left to join Stoke, many League One supporters were basking in schadenfreude. They were happy, anticipating the wheels to come flying off the high-speed Luton Express as Jones jumped out and tumbled down the ballast, all the way to Staffordshire.

I found myself sympathizing. We have been there before, remember. When Southampton came calling back in 2004 Paul Sturrock left us on the cusp of promotion, his near-perfect project unfinished.

What happened at Kenilworth Road was remarkably similar. Luton's fans had finally found a manager who brought that elusive combination of attractive football and success. They took him to their hearts and he took them to his.

There was always going to come a day when a bigger club came sniffing around their precocious manager. This is part of the life of a lower-league football supporter, but knowing that something will happen does not make it easier when it does.

When Sturrock left, Argyle were fine and the same has come to pass at Luton. Under the stewardship of club legend Mick Harford, they have gone from strength to strength.

They have been so rampant, so busy blowing away everyone before them, that they failed to even notice that their manager had left.

Since the Welshman's departure, they have won eight out of nine matches, scoring 20 goals in the process.

Earlier in the season, with Jones still at the helm, we bore the brunt of Luton's ruthlessness. They dispatched us 5-1 on a damaging November afternoon.

Today's match will be different, but it still presents a tough challenge and while we will not be able to derail the Luton Express, we might be able to slow it down a little. It is about time the Hatters gave me something to smile about.

We have improved dramatically since our November drubbing but, worryingly, it appears that our opponents have, too.



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# For the Record

THE good thing about stats is that they are ever changing – non-static stats, in fact. This is a cause of celebration for the mysterious man known to Home Park insiders only as 'Statso'.



## PLYMOUTH ARGYLE 5... IN THE EFL

**O**UR 5-1 victory over Rochdale at Home Park on February 23 was the 61st time that we have scored exactly five goals in an EFL match and the 103 time that we have netted more than four in a league game.

Here, we will concentrate on those 61 times that we have scored exactly five, 48 (78.7%) of which have come at Home Park. The table below gives the distribution of score lines across these matches:

Score	5-0	5-1	5-2	5-3	5-4	5-5
Frequency	25	23	9	3	0	1
%	41.0	37.7	14.8	4.9	0	1.6

As can be seen, 60 of the 61 games have been won, with the other ending in a 5-5 draw. That came away to Crystal Palace on November 28, 1925, and represents the highest scoring draw in our EFL history.

We have never won an EFL game 5-4, but we have lost by that scoreline on three occasions, most

recently at home to Middlesbrough in February 1962.

Returning to our recent win over Rochdale, this was the first time that we had gone nap since we beat Hartlepool United 5-0 on the final day of the 2015-16 regular season. It was also the second time that we had scored exactly five against Dale – the first was Paul Mariner's debut on September 11, 1973. The former Chorley forward

scored two of the goals in a 5-0 win.

Finally, it was the second time that we had scored five in a match in February, although you have to go back 93 years to 1926 for the previous occurrence: a 5-3 win over Brighton & Hove Albion.

That is one of four times that we have scored

five goals against the Seagulls, making them our most frequent victims. They are closely followed by Bristol City, Bristol Rovers, Crystal Palace, Newport County and West Bromwich Albion, each of whom have conceded five against us on three occasions.

Overall, our five-goal hauls have come against 38 different opponents, including 30 of the other 91 clubs currently in the Premier League and EFL.

Our most five-goal hauls in a single season is four, which we have recorded three times: in our first season in the second tier of the EFL, 1930-31; our promotion season of 1951-52; and 1960-61.

For the last time that we scored five goals more than once in a season, you have to go back more than 20 years to Neil Warnock's 'Wembley Wonders' in 1995-96.

Victories away at Bury (5-0), our first win under Warnock after six successive competitive defeats at the start of his

reign, and at home to Scarborough (5-1) helped us to qualify for that season's Division 3 Play-Offs. The rest, as they say, is history.

The last time that we scored five away from home was on October 18, 2003, when a David Ffrio-inspired Argyle won 5-1 at Port Vale. Ffrio grabbed a brace, with our other goals coming from Marino Keith, Stevie Adams and Paul Wotton.

The Rochdale game was the first time in more than 37 years that we scored five times at home in the third tier of English football. The previous occasion came in a 5-1 victory over Chester City on October 24, 1981, which gave Bobby Moncur's Pilgrims their first league win of the season at the 12th time of asking.

Jeff Cook and Colin Randell, with braces, and John Sims were our scorers that day. Remarkably, Argyle went on to finish as high as tenth that season, with 65 points from their 46 games.



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### It Helps to Have Fun

**C**HATTING to one of the players a few weeks back, I noted one of his comments about the post-Christmas upturn – namely that things go a lot better when you are enjoying your football.

I am aware that the rest of us, during the course of our hard-working week at the coal-face, gaze longingly up to the distant light above and imagine what it must be to be outside, kicking a football for a living. For anyone to mention that such an existence might not be anything but a delight and a pleasure is sometimes an offence.

The reality is that all jobs, no matter how much we love them, have their moments. At times it is tough. Much as I love my job, it has its difficulties, and it is not that I do not embrace the whole thing and, in some ways, enjoy tackling even the toughest bits, it is just that I cannot say that those elements are fun.

For the footballer – when they are up against it, decisions

going against them, grumbings in the crowd and results not happening, there is an element of pushing through. Negative pressure impedes creativity; confidence does not flow as easily; and you have to dig deep and make an effort. Not exactly fun, although I have known a few chaps down the years, mostly defenders I have to say, who seem to take a morbid delight in scrapping and fighting in such situations. You know who you are.

Contrast this with what we have at the moment, which is a bit more fun for everyone – confidence feeding creativity, feeding success, feeding confidence: a virtuous cycle, as they say.

I suppose the trick, and something that many players consciously work on as part of their mental preparation, is to find fun and confidence where it does not naturally exist. To manufacture it, as it were. Sometimes despite circumstances. This is not always

easy and, as a team, it is harder still. This is where you need your voices of positivity – the can dos and the come ons – to be loud and clear: leading the group. Equally, you need your negativity Eeyores locking in a cupboard.

Do not underestimate the power of positivity on the success of a team; equally, do not underestimate the power of fun and enjoyment to cultivate positivity.

As in football, so in life. It helps to have fun. Can we learn to enjoy ourselves in life? Is it something we can pay attention to as a life strategy? When we are having fun at life, does that make us better at doing it? If that is that case, we then have an upward spiral of having fun; getting better at doing life; and having more fun as a result.

I wonder if, when the tough times come and everything feels a bit more uphill – the wins do not come as easily as the losses – is there a way we can consciously

and almost artificially create a bit of fun and confidence in order to arrest the cycle?

Are there positive voices you can surround yourself with or, when you are a bit Eeyore, do you find the Tiggers just too annoying to be around?

"That's what I call bouncing," said Eeyore. "Taking people by surprise. Very unpleasant habit."

"I don't mind Tigger being in the Forest," he went on, "because it's a large Forest, and there's plenty of room to bounce in it. But I don't see why he should come into my little corner of it, and bounce there. It isn't as if there was anything very wonderful about my little corner."

"Of course for people who like cold, wet, ugly bits it is something rather special, but otherwise it's just a corner, and if anybody feels bouncy..." AA Milne, *The House at Pooh Corner*



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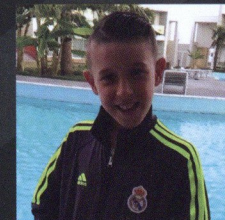
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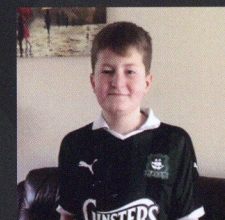
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Favourite players: Ryan Taylor, Oscar Threlkeld  
Score prediction: 1-1



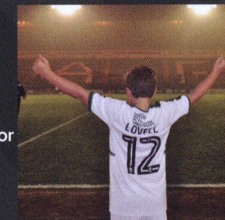
### LIAM CHISWELL, 12

Lives: Plymouth  
Likes: Argyle, playing Xbox, drawing  
Dislikes: Homework  
Favourite player: Ruben lameiras  
Score prediction: Argyle to win 3-1



### LUCAS LOVELL, 11

Lives: Plymouth  
Likes: Football  
Dislikes: Homework  
Favourite player: Ryan Taylor  
Score prediction: Argyle to win 2-1



### MILAN FOSTER, 9

Lives: Plymouth  
Likes: Basketball, bodyboarding, school  
Favourite players: Oscar Threlkeld, Graham Carey  
Score prediction: Argyle to win 2-1



### SAM TUCKER, 8

Lives: Weston-super-Mare  
Likes: Playing football and FIFA  
Dislikes: Exeter City  
Favourite player: Ruben lameiras  
Score prediction: Argyle to win 2-1



### EMILY A'BARROW, 10

Lives: Torpoint  
Likes: Football, music, seaside, food  
Dislikes: Some fruit and veg!  
Favourite player: Danny Hylton  
Score Prediction: Luton to win 2-0



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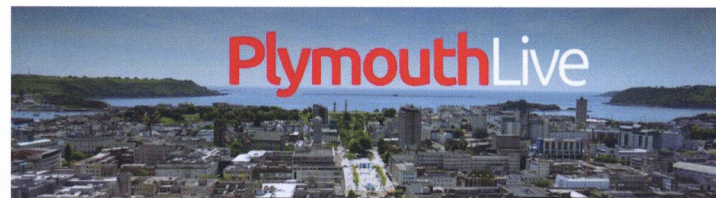
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## CHIEF EXECUTIVE Michael Dunford

**W**ELCOME back to the Theatre of Greens for today's much-awaited game against promotion-chasing Luton Town. Our trip to Bedfordshire for the game at Kenilworth Road in November is probably best forgotten, given that we were, on that occasion, well beaten.

To the Hatters' directors, management, staff, players and their 1,200 supporters, we extend our normal pre-match welcome, knowing none of that will make the slightest difference when it comes to the outcome of this afternoons encounter.

Settling previous scores can be viewed as an essential ingredient of the pre-match build-up amongst supporters, but – make no mistake – the outcome of today's match will be settled by only one issue: who outperforms the other on the pitch.

We certainly appear to be in better shape than was the case when we last met, so today promises to

produce another fiercely competitive game, with many twists and turns throughout the 90 minutes.

As teams enter the pitch today, wave all those Argyle flags and cheer on the Pilgrims to what will hopefully be another three points and put a temporary dent in the aspirations of our visitors who dream of returning to the Championship.

After today, we wish Luton and all other promotion hopefuls the best of luck (apart from when playing Argyle!) as they approach the home run to the finishing line. As you would expect with ten league games still to go, Argyle will have a considerable say in how the final league table will unfold.

Most importantly, a continued strong finish by Derek and his squad will give us fresh heart and hope for next season.

Already our thoughts are turning to next season and, just for information, the official EFL fixtures

will be released on Thursday, June 20.

Last week's EFL clubs meeting in Derby highlighted some disquiet between some Championship clubs on the conclusion of the new Sky contract. Whilst they went to great pains to assure clubs in Leagues One and Two that our interests would be protected, I came away convinced that there is an uneasy peace looming – the sooner the EFL appoint its new Independent Chairman and Chief Executive then hopefully renewed strong leadership can protect the interests of all 72 EFL member clubs even further.

There was little evidence at Pride Park of any support for the rumoured breakaway. Whilst we all aspire to play at a higher level, most clubs respect the integrity of a thriving 72-club EFL.

We also hope that Coventry City can resolve, to the satisfaction of the EFL Board, the protracted issue as to where they

intend to play their home games next season. The Sky Blue fans must be extremely nervous at the moment as the deadline set by the EFL Board for confirmation of their intentions is fast approaching.

In closing, our sincere thanks go to the 1,700 plus supporters who made the long journey up to Sunderland last weekend. Sitting up in the gods, the vocal support that you gave the team was absolutely fantastic. Our away following will probably be one of the highest witnessed at the Stadium of Light this season.

Now back to the business of the day against table-topping Luton Town. Get right behind the lads and hopefully you – the Green Army – can cheer the team on to another impressive performance.

Come on You Greens!

*Michael*



## WORKING TOWARDS MORE WOMEN IN FOOTBALL

**I**NCREASING female participation in football was the focus as Argyle Community Trust marked International Women's Day.

To celebrate the occasion and to support this year's theme #BalanceforBetter, we invited the Girls Football Academy players to share their ideas to how we can improve the number of females involved in the game.

By age 14, girls are dropping out of sport one and a half times faster than boys and, by age 17, 51% of girls who participated in sport have quit because they do not have a sense that they belong, and they do not see a future in sport.

Travelling to their away game against Chelsea, the squad discussed what they saw as barriers to playing football and what could be done to tackle them.

Practical barriers such as lack of time and lack of childcare, if they are mothers, lack of money, and lack of transport were raised. The team came up with recommendations such as having children's classes running in tandem to the women's session; subsidies for women's sessions and partnerships with transport providers; or even making the walk/run to the session as part of the training.

The personal barriers that they thought of are more psychological in nature. These range from fear of being judged, worries about appearance and lack of social confidence, to concerns about ability – whether health related or not – and whether justified or not. The main recommendation was to have more visible role models in sport and in advertising a wider variety of images to demonstrate who takes part.



Jaydee Seaman, 17 years old and captain of the Girls Football Academy team, said: "Participating in sport has many benefits, including teaching girls to be more confident and learn valuable leadership skills that help them later on in their lives, whether it's to work a career in sport or a different type of industry."

The team did highlight how they thought female offering was improving and how they felt that many sports brands were bettering female profiling, especially with the This Girl Can campaign that seemed to profile real women and the reality of how they felt, and how more female only sessions were now available for all ages.

Over the years, the Trust has introduced more female provisions, with the Wildcats team for primary school children, the Football Performance Academy for 16-18 year-olds, and the Argyle Ladies team, and has recently added a female only disability session.

The women-only football sessions for players with disabilities is based at the newly opened and developing Manadon Sports and Community Hub in Plymouth.

Argyle Community Trust already offers a session for men who have a successful competitive team but say it has been a long time coming to offer a women's team.



## UPCOMING EVENTS

**DO not forget about all these activities across Devon and Cornwall to keep you and the family entertained and informed:**

**March 2-17**  
Level Playing Field Awareness Weeks

**March 9**  
World Book Day

**March 17**  
Mayflower 400 Sports Week

**March 19**  
EFL Day of Action

For a full list of activities, visit [www.argylecommunitytrust.co.uk/courses](http://www.argylecommunitytrust.co.uk/courses).



## LEVEL PLAYING FIELD WEEKS OF ACTION

**T**HE Trust is pleased to support the 2019 Level Playing Field Weeks of Action. This annual initiative, now in its 15th year, aims to celebrate access and inclusion for disabled sports fans across England and Wales.

Disabled people constitute the largest minority group at around 15-20% of the population and this number is increasing year on year. Naturally, a large number of disabled people are football fans, too, and we are

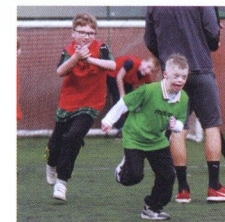


pleased to take this opportunity to thank our own disabled fans for their continued loyalty and dedication to this great club.

This year, we are celebrating the matchday experience for disabled fans. We want to shine a light on the positives of attending a live match-day and, in turn, help remove those barriers and promote a culture of accessibility and inclusiveness within sport.

During today's game, we are celebrating by inviting players from our Ability Counts teams to take part in match-day activity, including flag-bearing for the guard of honour, assisting the referee with the coin toss, and competing in a penalty shoot-out during half time.

Health and Disability Officer Mickey McCloskey said: "We don't want anyone to feel excluded

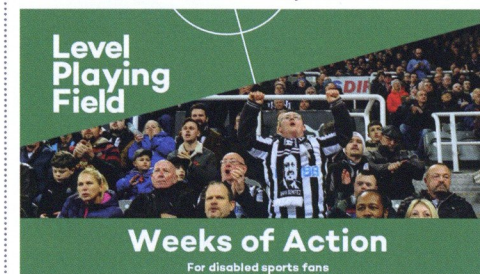


and want to use Plymouth Argyle to make a connection with people.

"At the Trust we work with men and women with physical disabilities and mental health problems to help them use sport as a way to rehabilitate, overcome challenges or simply, just for fun.

"Highlighting our disability team players and their achievements as part of Level Playing Field Weeks of Action is a great feeling and really shows how clubs are working together to make football accessible for all."

This campaign, we are joining together with sports clubs, fans and organisations across England and Wales to celebrate the #WeeksOfAction to, not only promote the positive experience had by disabled fans, but also the message of access and inclusion for all.







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THERE are that many rules and regulations dictating what clubs can and cannot do that the job of Football Secretary is a veritable minefield of sub-clauses and addenda. Argyle's mine-sweeper is ZAC NEWTON, who, this season, will be aiming to give an insight into the internal workings of your club from a football administration viewpoint.

# SEC'S FOOTBALL

**T**ODAY, we welcome Luton Town to Home Park, and if we can replicate some of the high quality and entertaining football that we played against Rochdale two weeks ago, it is sure to be another highly competitive and enjoyable fixture.

Since then, of course, many of you made the longest trip in this season's EFL to the Stadium of Light. It was a fantastic turn-out by the Green Army that quite rightly received some national coverage. Your dedication in following Argyle up and down the country is remarkable, and is very much appreciated by the players and club staff.

As much as I hope to enjoy this afternoon's match, one of the curious things about the Club Sec's role is that I rarely spend much time 'in the moment'. Most of my time is spent planning for the match two weeks in advance so, apart

from some post-match admin, and assuming nothing unusual happens that would require extra work next week, today's fixture will very quickly be consigned to the history book for me.

Similarly, despite there being almost a quarter of the league season left, and a huge amount still to play for, the football authorities' attention has already turned to next season. This week, the Emirates FA Cup and FA Youth Cup for season 2019-20 have been entered and paid for, and the ground safety license applied for.

In addition, arrangements for pre-season fixtures are at an advanced stage. In fairness to both the EFL and FA, they are very good at reminding clubs when a certain piece of administration has to be completed by, so there is little excuse for failing to comply with their deadlines for the numerous post/pre-season surveys and

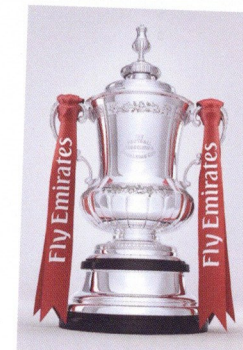
forms that are required to keep the game running smoothly.

The end of one season and the start of the next is marked by the EFL's summer conference for owners and executives, and this year is no exception.

The conference is planned for very early in June, so all clubs will know which league they are participating in and maximum time will be available post conference before the start of the new season. Attendance is compulsory for all clubs (or risk a fine) and although it will take place somewhere warm and (hopefully) sunny, a lot of business is done in the day and a half that it lasts.

A number of regional and divisional meetings are held in the UK throughout the season, and much of the output from these drive the agenda for the summer conference. The first day of the conference is mainly presentations and discussions, along with divisional meetings, with the second day given over to voting on the various rule changes that might affect EFL competitions, finances or the staging of matches.

Last year, there were something like 25 separate votes and, with a similar number expected this year, we hope to be



able to publish the results of each vote soon after the end of the conference, along with how we decided to vote.

Exceptionally, there will be an important vote before conference this season to decide if the timing of the closure of the summer transfer window will be changed this season. This will probably take place in April and we will, of course publish, the result as soon as it is known.

Anyway, that is all for the future, 11 fixtures to go and 33 points at stake – let us hope we can capture the first three of those this afternoon.

Thank you for your support and enjoy the match.

COYGs

*R. Newton*

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# NEWS

## Meet and Greet Treat

**D**uring February half-term, the Pilgrims' first-team squad visited the new Argyle Superstore to say hello to the Green Army; pose for selfies; and sign

whatever was put in front of them.

The fans' meet-and-greet event was exceptionally well-attended, and the playing squad were in high-spirits as they met

members of the Green Army, young and old. The players posed for pictures with all comers, including babies and pet animals.

Argyle Media were on-hand to capture

lots of footage on the day, including interviews with first-team players. The video is available to view free of charge on iFollow Argyle, at [pafc.co.uk/iFollow](http://pafc.co.uk/iFollow).

## FANS' FORUM

**W**e will be hosting our next Fans' Forum for the Green Army on Wednesday, March 20 in the Green Taverners Suite at Home Park.

Chairman Simon Hallett will be in attendance, along with Chief Executive Michael Dunford, Executive Lead Hospitality Conferencing

and Events Andrew Parkinson, and Head of Stadium Redevelopment Jon Back.

Doors will open at 6.30pm for a 7.30pm start. For those who are unable to attend but would like their question to be answered by the Board, please email your question to [argyle@pafc.co.uk](mailto:argyle@pafc.co.uk) and type "Forum" into the subject box.



## HOME PARK STADIUM SITE LAUNCHED

**A**SISTER site for [pafc.co.uk](http://pafc.co.uk) – [www.homeparkstadium.com](http://www.homeparkstadium.com) – has been launched, revealing packages and branding related to the club's exciting new hospitality and conferencing offering at Home Park.



## HOME PARK

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The re-development of Argyle's famous Archibald Leitch-style Grandstand is set to complete in the final-quarter of 2019, which will see the club's new and exclusive hospitality offering open its doors to the public.

Our hospitality offering boasts outstanding banqueting and conference facilities to compete with the very best in the South West. Over the coming weeks, more information about

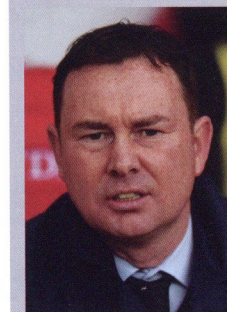
available packages will be released via the website.

The club will be holding a number of sneak preview events designed to show off the exciting new development and opportunities available at Home Park, and is inviting supporters and businesses to register their interest with our commercial team via the stadium website, on email at [info@homeparkstadium.com](mailto:info@homeparkstadium.com),

or by 'phone on 01752 302204.

The club has also launched its social media accounts related to the development, so, if you have an interest in the new offering available at the Theatre of Greens, make sure you follow Home Park on Twitter; [@homeparkstadium](https://twitter.com/homeparkstadium) on Instagram @homeparkstadium; and on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/homeparkstadium/>.

## Derek Nominated Again



**A**RGYLE boss Derek Adams was nominated for the Sky Bet League One Manager of the Month award for February, making it back-to-back nominations for the gaffer following the same accolade in January.

The Pilgrims remained unbeaten throughout February, starting with a strong away win at Peterborough - Ruben lameiras grabbing the only goal two minutes from time against 10-man Posh, who saw Lee Tomlin ordered off in first-half stoppage time.

Consecutive draws followed against Portsmouth and Bradford. At home to Portsmouth in the Dockyard Derby, Graham Carey pulled us back to 1-1 with an exquisite free kick and then a gritty 0-0 at Valley Parade.

Our final game of the month was certainly the best, and indeed our biggest win of the season so far, putting five past Rochdale in a scintillating attacking performance.

## Alex's Muscular Dystrophy Ground-Hop

**A**LEXANDRA Smith has muscular dystrophy, which means she has both physical and learning difficulties. This, in turn leaves Alex with severe anxiety.

Ground-hopping was an idea to help Alex get out and about and meet people.

The change in her personality has been amazing.

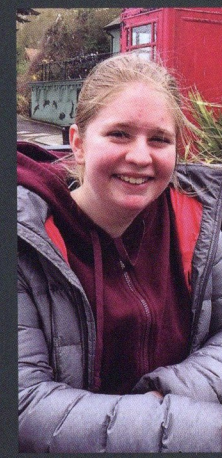
The first ground she visited was Norwich City,

in 2017, and she has been hopping ever since.

Alex has currently visited 85 league grounds and intends to try to complete the tour by the end of this current season.

Home Park is the longest journey of her adventures at 518 miles door to door, even further than Carlisle! Her favourite ground so far was Selhurst Park.

You can check out all of Alex's adventures on her twitter feed @Alexgroundhop.







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### CENTRAL LEAGUE

#### SEPTEMBER

Tue 11 Cheltenham 3-1

#### OCTOBER

Tue 16 Bristol Rovers 3-0

#### NOVEMBER

Tue 20 Exeter 1-1

#### DECEMBER

Tue 4 Forest Green Rovers 2-1

#### JANUARY

Tue 15 Cheltenham Town 7-0

#### FEBRUARY

Tue 5 Bristol Rovers 4-1

Tue 19 Exeter City 1-0

#### MARCH

Tue 5 Milton Keynes Dons 0-5

Tue 19 AFC Wimbledon (2.00) A

Tue 26 Luton Town (3.00) H

#### APRIL

Tue 2 Peterborough United (2.00) A

Tue 23 Southend United H

Tue 30 Forest Green Rovers (1.00) A

All home games kick off at 2pm at Home Park.

**APPS:** 6(1) - Dan Rooney, Ryan Law; 5(1) - Ryan Taylor; 5 - Scott Wootton, Luke Jephcott; 4 - Harry Hodges, Joe Riley; 3(4) - Alex Fletcher; 3(2) - Jordan Bentley, Lionel Ainsworth; 3(1) - Calum Dyson; 3 - Peter Grant, Kyle Letheren, Tom Purrington, Gregg Wyld, Oscar Threlkeld, Matt Macey, Lloyd Jones; 2(2) - Alex Battle, Michael Cooper; 2(1) - Tafari Moore; 2 - Ruben Lameiras, Adam Randell, Paul Anderson, Conor Grant, Jamie Ness; 1(1) - Cameron Sangster; 1 - Niall Canavan, Reuben Collum, David Fox, Antoni Sarcevic; 0(2) - Mike Peck.

**GOALS:** 5 - Alex Fletcher; 4 - Calum Dyson; 3 - Gregg Wyld; 2 - Luke Jephcott, Ryan Taylor, Oscar Threlkeld; 1 - Lionel Ainsworth, Scott Wootton.

Argyle	8	6	1	1	9	19
MK Dons	7	5	1	1	17	16
Bristol R	7	3	2	2	-2	11
Wimbledon	7	3	1	3	4	10
Peterborough	6	3	1	2	0	10
Exeter	5	2	1	2	9	7
Southend	7	2	1	4	-12	7
Forest Green	7	2	0	5	-6	3
Cheltenham	8	1	1	6	-19	4
Luton	4	0	3	1	-3	3

### ST LUKES CUP

#### MARCH

Tue 12 Exmouth A

### CARLSBERG SOUTH WEST PENINSULA LEAGUE PREMIER DIVISION

#### AUGUST

Wed 8 St Austell 3-3

Tue 14 Millbrook 2-2

Fri 17 Elburton Villa 3-1

Fri 24 Torpoint Athletic 5-0

Tue 28 Cullompton Rangers 5-0

Fri 31 Camelford 3-0

#### SEPTEMBER

Wed 5 Tavistock 1-2

Sat 8 Helston Athletic 3-0

Tue 11 Elburton Villa 1-2

Fri 14 Millbrook 3-0

Tue 18 Launceston 5-1

Fri 21 Saltash United 3-2

Tue 25 Exmouth Town 0-1

Fri 28 Ivybridge Town 6-0

#### OCTOBER

Tue 2 Newquay 2-5

Fri 5 Tavistock 6-3

Tue 9 St Austell 5-2

Sat 13 Sticker 9-0

Fri 19 Tavistock (WPFD Cup) 3-1

Tue 23 Callington Town 7-0

Fri 26 Sticker 11-0

#### NOVEMBER

Fri 2 Camelford 3-0

Fri 23 Ivybridge Town 3-1

#### DECEMBER

Sat 22 Falmouth Town 0-3

Sat 29 Helston Athletic 1-3

#### JANUARY

Sat 5 Newquay 5-1

#### FEBRUARY

Fri 1 Cullompton P-P

Sat 9 Exmouth Town 0-4

Sat 16 Torpoint Athletic 1-0

Fri 22 Bodmin Town 3-0

#### MARCH

Fri 1 Saltash United 1-3

Tue 5 Godolphin P-P

Fri 8 Tavistock H

Sat 16 Falmouth Town H

#### APRIL

Tue 2 Launceston H

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#### DIRECTORS CUP

#### OCTOBER

Fri 19 Tavistock 3-1

#### NOVEMBER

Sat 17 Mousehole 1-2

**APPS:** 19 - Michael Cooper; 15(4) - Alex Battle; 15(2) - Alex Fletcher; 14(1) - Harry Hodges; 13 - Cameron Sangster; 12 - Dan Rooney; 11 - Calum Dyson, Jordan Bentley; 10 - Lionel Ainsworth, Luke Jephcott; 9(2) - Rio Garside, Michael Peck, Joe Seery; 9(1) - Isaac Burdon, Adam Randell; 9 - Ryan Law; 8(2) - Tom Purrington; 7(3) - Klaudi Lolos; 7(2) - Aaron Goulty; 7 - Jude Boyd, Peter Grant; 6(1) - Reuben Collum, Ollie Tomlinson; 5 - Tafari Moore; 4(1) - Ben Musselwhite; 4 - Harry Townsend; 3(2) - Rubin Wilson; 3 - Gregg Wyld; 2 - Joe Riley, Antoni Sarcevic; 1 - Andrew Burn, Niall Canavan, Jarvis Cleal, David Fox, Ruben Lameiras, Kyle Letheren, Mani Skett, Ashley Smith-Brown; 0(2) - Harvey Tomlinson; 0(1) - Ted McDonald, Owen Raven.

**GOALS:** 22 - Alex Battle; 18 - Calum Dyson; 16 - Alex Fletcher; 7 - Luke Jephcott; 5 - Rio Garside, Klaudi Lolos; 3 - Lionel Ainsworth, Adam Randell; 2 - Ruben Lameiras, Dan Rooney, Tom Purrington; 1 - Isaac Burdon, Niall Canavan, Antoni Sarcevic, Gregg Wyld.

Exmouth	29	22	4	3	53	70
Argyle	29	21	2	6	71	65
Tavistock	26	20	3	3	43	63
St Austell	27	19	3	5	33	60
Saltash	24	15	4	5	32	49
Falmouth	28	14	4	10	24	46
Millbrook	31	14	4	13	-4	46
Torpoint	29	13	6	10	15	45
Cullompton	26	13	4	9	10	43
Bodmin	24	12	4	8	13	40
Helston	25	10	5	10	3	35
Ivybridge	26	11	2	13	-11	35
Newquay	29	9	4	16	-26	31
Elburton	24	8	4	12	-11	28
Godolphin	25	6	4	15	-35	22
Callington	28	5	6	17	-31	21
Camelford	30	5	2	23	-33	17
Launceston	25	5	2	18	-46	17
Sticker	31	0	5	26	-100	5

### EFL YOUTH ALLIANCE

#### FEBRUARY

Sat 16 Cheltenham 3-1

Fri 22 Cambridge United 3-2

#### MARCH

Sat 2 Bristol Rovers P-P

Sat 16 Forest Green Rovers H\*

Sat 30 Leyton Orient (2.00) A

#### APRIL

Sat 6 Barnet (2.00) H\*

Tue 9 Gillingham A

Sat 13 MK Dons (2.00) A

Fri 26 Newport County (2.00) H\*

\*All kick-offs 11am unless otherwise stated.

\*At Callington FC

**APPS:** 22 - Rio Garside; 21(1) - Michael Peck; 20(1) - Ollie Tomlinson; 19(3) - Klaudi Lolos, 19(2) - Reuben Collum; 19(1) - Harry Townsend; 15(2) - Jude Boyd, Aaron Goulty, Tom Purrington; 14(2) - Joe Seery; 13 - Adam Randell; 9(10) - Rubin Wilson; 9 - Andy Burn; 7(3) - Isaac Burdon; 7(8) - Finley Craske; 6(1) - Scott Crocker; 5(3) - Alfie Wotton; 5(1) - Jarvis Cleal; 4 - Tyler Coombes, Mani Skett; 4(2) - Rhys Fuller; 4 - Rhys Shirley; 2(3) - Brandon Pursall; 2(2) - Sam Wickens; 2(1) - Owen Price; 1(7) - Oscar Massey; 1 - Max Childs; 0(2) - Jimmy Miller; 1 - Liam Short; 0(1) - Matt Bartlett, Jacob Hale, Rudi McKinnon, Owen Raven, Angel Waruihu.

**GOALS:** 8 - Klaudi Lolos; 7 - Adam Randell, Rio Garside; 2 - Jude Boyd, Rubin Wilson, Scott Crocker, Rhys Shirley; 1 - Michael Peck, Tom Purrington.

Cambridge	3	2	0	1	10	6
MK Dons	2	2	0	0	5	6
Argyle	2	2	0	0	3	6
Newport	3	2	0	1	2	6
Forest Green	3	2	0	1	1	6
Cheltenham	3	1	0	2	0	3
Bristol Rovers	2	1	0	1	-1	3
Barnet	3	1	0	2	-5	3
Leyton Orient	2	0	0	2	-7	0
Gillingham	3	0	0	3	-8	0

### PREMIER LEAGUE CUP

#### PRELIMINARY ROUND

#### SEPTEMBER

Tue 4 v Portsmouth 2-1

#### GROUP F

#### OCTOBER

Thu 4 Derby County 0-0

#### NOVEMBER

Fri 9 Bristol City 0-0

Fri 30 Aston Villa 0-1

#### JANUARY

Mon 21 Derby County 0-4

#### FEBRUARY

Mon 11 Bristol City 2-2

Mon 25 Aston Villa 4-1

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**APPS:** 7 - Michael Cooper, Alex Fletcher, Alex Battle; 6(1) Mike Peck, Jordan Bentley; 6 - Ryan Law, Dan Rooney; 5(1) - Tom Purrington; 5 - Harry Hodges, Luke Jephcott; 3(2) - Adam Randell; 3(1) - Aaron Goulty, Rio Garside; 2 - Cameron Sangster, Ollie Tomlinson; 1 - Tafari Moore, Peter Grant, Calum Dyson, Jamie Ness, Conor Grant; 0(3) - Klaudi Lolos.

**GOALS:** 3 - Alex Battle; 1 - Alex Fletcher, Luke Jephcott, Tom Purrington, Dan Rooney, Cameron Sangster

### FA YOUTH CUP

#### OCTOBER

Wed 31 Exeter 2-3

**APPS:** 1 - Boyd, Collum, Garside, Goulty, Lolos, Peck, Purrington, Randell, Seery, Tomlinson, Townsend; 0+1 - Craske, Wilson) **GOALS:** 1 - Garside, Lolos.





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**G**OOD afternoon and welcome to your 50/50 Lottery brief. Unfortunately, the team could not get the result we were all hoping for at Sunderland; they put up a good fight in the second half, but it was not to be. With home advantage in the next two games let us hope we get back to winning ways. Come on You Greens.

Despite losing the game, we had a great weekend away, meeting up with the Green Army who were everywhere, and I have to say the away fans and stewards made us most welcome. The minute's applause for the tragic loss of poor Sunderland fan Connor Brown in the 18th minute of the game from both sets of supporters was very moving indeed; the

Green Army were a credit to our club.

The Argyle media team have won yet another Best Programme Award. This time, it is from the Northern Programme Club for best League One programme. Well done team - a great effort.

Thanks again, supporters, for your fantastic support of the 50/50 Lottery. We will be donating cheques to the Green Taverners to help with the new supporters' club, and also we have agreed to cover the costs of upgrading the entrance doors to the club shop for our disabled supporters - both worthwhile causes, we think you will agree.

We hope you all enjoyed the pre-match entertainment from the Pilgrim Panthers dance-team. Head coach Louise Morgan has sent

the 50/50 lottery a big thank you message for sponsoring the team and they will be returning to Home Park again in the near future.

The prizes for today's draw are:

First - cash;  
Second - a round of golf for four people at Boringdon Golf Club - kindly donated by PASOTI;  
Third - an Argyle home

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Fourth - annual Family Membership to Hill Lane Tennis Club, Plymouth.

Thanks for supporting the 50/50 Lottery and - remember - you have to be in it to win it.

Enjoy the game.  
Ken Beale and our great 50/50 Lottery team



## MONKEY BUSINESS

**W**ELL done to Mr Casley, from Plymouth (member 431), who has won £500 in the monthly draw for February in the Big Green Lottery.

There was no winner on our weekly rollover, which rises to £300 next week, and you

can see below for all the numbers drawn. As well as the rollover, next week will also see the unveiling of our latest bonus prize winner for the BGL.

Weekly Draw: 3, 5, 15, 25 - NO WINNER; 5, 18, 31, 32 - NO WINNER; 2, 10, 24, 31 - NO WINNER; 1, 9, 10, 16 - NO WINNER; 1, 2, 3,

27 - NO WINNER; 2, 10, 19, 27 - NO WINNER; 7, 8, 9, 24 - NO WINNER; 5, 14, 25, 28 - NO WINNER; 15, 19, 20, 23 - NO WINNER; 4, 6, 12, 17 - NO WINNER.

For more information on the Big Green Lottery, drop us a message on [bgl@pafc.co.uk](mailto:bgl@pafc.co.uk) or you can just sign up online, win some money and

help raise funds for the Argyle Academy.

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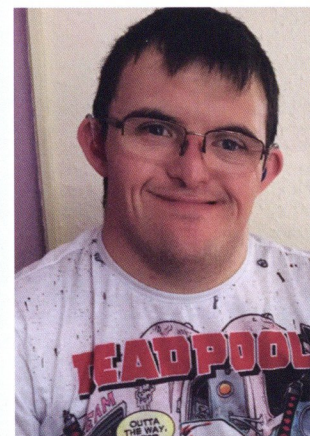
## HAPPY BIRTHDAY...

...to Uncle Dan, who is celebrating his 90th birthday. Lots of love from all of your UK family. ▼



...to Olivia and Phyllis, who are here today with all the Terise family. Olivia celebrated on Wednesday, and Phyllis will be doing likewise next Friday.

...to Devonport ender Marc Maggs, who is 28 today. ▼



...to football crazy Oliver, for his ninth birthday. ▼



...to Ian Croucher, who was 50 years old last Wednesday...and to Nigel Mitchell, who will be 61 years next Friday. From all the Crouchers and the Mitchells! ▼



## WIN WITH ARGYLE

Musician and songwriter Andy Burrows and number one bestselling author Matt Haig have released their album collaboration, Reasons to Stay Alive.

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Which 2000s indie hitmakers, featuring Johnny Borell on vocals, featured Andy Burrows as its drummer and co-songwriter?



- a. Razorsharp
- b. Razorburn
- c. Razorlight.

## MATCH-DAY MAGIC

WELCOME to today's Match-Day Magic visitors, the club officials, young players, parents and siblings of Falmouth Harriers Youth Football Club; St Day Youth Football Club; and Treloweth Primary School, Redruth.

A big welcome to Home Park awaits a total of 150 friends from West of the Tamar to experience the Argyle Community Trust's unique hospitality.

Our Match-Day Magic comprises a stadium tour; a coaching session for the children; buffet lunch for everyone; tickets for the game in the award-winning Family Zone.

## WELCOME...

...to Kevin and Hannah Denness, lifelong Argyle fans who are over from Canada for the weekend.

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# They Came Across the Ocean to Play for Argyle

"GO West, young man" is advice that footballers from many nations have followed. NINO ROBERTSON remembers Guy Madjo and some fellow Cameroonians.



**Y**ANN Songo'o is not the only Cameroonian to have represented Argyle - he was preceded by Rudi Douala, an international striker with 17 full caps and one goal between 2004-2009, and fellow forward Guy Madjo.

Both players played a handful of games between them, but Rudi - whose birthplace and surname are the same (Douala is the largest city in Cameroon) - arrived at Home Park after his release from Greek side Asteras Tripolis.

Douala represented Argyle only twice with his appearances coming almost a month apart. His debut was on April 11, 2009, a resounding 4-0 win over Coventry City when Ashley Barnes and Jamie Mackie were among the scorers.

However, before Argyle, he boasted quite an impressive CV, certainly in his early career,

He started with French side St Etienne in the French Second Division, and he also played for several Portuguese clubs including Boavista, and Uniao Leiria, where he netted 15 times. That prompted giants Sporting Lisbon to make a move in 2004, and he spent three years there.

He also had a loan switch at our Dockyard rivals Portsmouth that was finalised on deadline day in 2006, but a permanent move to at Fratton Park did not materialise and he headed back to St Etienne.

His last club before hanging up his boots was Lierse, in Belgium, for who he appeared 11 times and scored two goals in 2010-11.

Madjo, who was also born in Douala, started at PMUC Douala before moving to England to play non-league football.

Good performances at that level attracted the attention of league clubs and a brief spell at

Bristol City followed. He dropped in and out of the professional leagues and briefly ventured further afield, signing for Chinese side Guangdong Sunray Cave.

The following season, he played for KS Bylis Ballsh, in Albania, before returning to England and signing for Stevenage in June 2011.

He played only once for Stevenage once before moving to Aldershot in January 2012. However, having fallen out of favour there, he signed a four-week loan deal at Argyle.

Madjo scored his opening goal in October, an equaliser in a 1-1 draw at Wycombe Wanderers, and his loan

was extended for two further months.

In December, after 14 games and three goals, he returned to a struggling Aldershot but left the club in January 2013 to train with Bristol Rovers, although no move materialised.

The theme of never really finding a permanent home continued when he moved to Hong Kong to join First Division club Tuen Mun SA for the 2013-14 season.

However Madjo stayed only two months, scoring twice in five games, before moving to play for Looktabfah in the Thai Regional League Central & Western Division.





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THE Plymouth Argyle women's team won promotion in style last season and now play in the FA Women's National League Southern Division, the third tier of the women's football pyramid in England, below the two divisions of the FA Women's Super League. Argyle are also eligible to play in the Women's League Cup, as well as the FA Women's Cup.

**A**RGYLE maintained their recent good form, thanks to big wins over Queens Park Rangers (4-3) and C&K Basildon (2-0).

Argyle were a little ring-rusty following a five-week lay-off but, despite numerous changes and blustery conditions in Essex, came through against Basildon with goals from Helen Bleazard and Kayley Lane.

While Bleazard and Lane will get the plaudits, perhaps the Greens can also thank young coaches Marc Bonney and Jason Haswell for their attention to detail.

Bonney (pictured) set out a pre-match warm-up to counter the terrible conditions, and his quick-thinking clearly paid-off as Argyle adapted to the circumstances the better. Haswell can be praised for laying on an extra evening's training session for goalkeeper Sarah Prior, who had not touched a ball for more than ten weeks because of a hand injury, and ended up keeping a clean sheet.

Prior had been brought into the game because of the loss of goalkeeper Lindsay Rogers, who left the club for personal reasons. Central defender

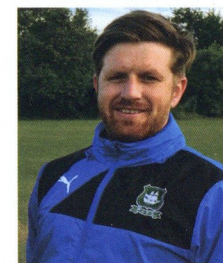
Panagiota Papaioannou was away on a Greek Under-20 international camp, while Amber

Pollock and Steph Beck were unavailable, although defender Ebony Dover returned to the squad after missing the QPR game due to illness.

This gave the management team the opportunity to give substitutes' bench places to Kerry Vinnicombe and 16-year-old Cornish striker Nicola Champion, both called-up from the development team for their debuts, along with call-ups for Faye Ivall and Tamsin Medd-Gill.

Next up for the first-team is the visit of high-flying Cardiff City on Sunday, March 10 at Devon FA HQ.

The Development team were without a fixture in the previous week, but face a tricky visit to Feniton on Sunday - knowing that winning both of their last two games will clinch the



South West League Western Division title.

The club is now preparing for the Dockyard Derby, when they take on Portsmouth at Home Park next Sunday. The last time Argyle Ladies were at Home Park, they played in front of 450 fans who saw them beat Poole Town 6-1 to seal promotion to the National League Southern Division.

The day will be a celebration of the cities' shared military heritage, with the Royal British Legion and Army cadets bringing standards to walk out with the teams.

Half-time entertainment will take place in the form of a penalty shoot-out, and PAFC Displays have kindly offered to attend with the pre-match flags. There will be mascots from Drake FC & Plymouth Phoenix Girls FC.

So please do consider coming along for an entertaining Sunday afternoon. Kick-off is at 2pm, and gates will open from 12.30. Admission: adult £5; concessions £3; and Under-18s and Argyle season-ticket holders get in free.

Club Chairman Simon Hallett and his wife Jane will be in attendance, alongside new director Paul Berne.

### FA WOMEN'S NATIONAL LEAGUE SOUTHERN DIVISION

<b>AUGUST</b>	
Sun 19 MK Dons	4-3
Sun 26 Chichester City	0-3
<b>SEPTEMBER</b>	
Sun 9 Gillingham	4-1
Sun 16 C&K Basildon	5-3
Sun 30 QPR	2-3
<b>OCTOBER</b>	
Sun 7 Portsmouth	3-0
<b>NOVEMBER</b>	
Sun 4 Loughborough F	0-4
Sun 11 Oxford United	1-2
Sun 25 Coventry United	1-9
<b>JANUARY</b>	
Sun 20 Watford	3-2
<b>FEBRUARY</b>	
Sun 17 C&K Basildon	0-2
Sun 24 QPR	4-3
<b>MARCH</b>	
Sun 10 Cardiff City	A
Sun 17 Portsmouth	H
Sun 24 Loughborough F	A
Sun 31 Oxford United	H
<b>APRIL</b>	
Sun 7 MK Dons	H
Sun 14 Coventry United	H
Sun 21 Cardiff City	A
Sun 28 Gillingham	H
<b>MAY</b>	
Sun 5 Watford	A

### SSE WOMEN'S FA CUP DECEMBER

Sun 2 Coventry United	1-2
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### FA WOMEN'S NATIONAL LEAGUE CUP PRELIMINARY ROUND

<b>SEPTEMBER</b>	
Sun 2 MK Dons	4-2
Sun 28 Southampton	3-1
<b>JANUARY</b>	
Sun 13 Crawley	3-5

### DEVON SENIOR CUP

<b>OCTOBER</b>	
Sun 21 Bideford	13-0
<b>NOVEMBER</b>	
Sun 4 Marine Academy	2-0

### FA WOMEN'S NATIONAL LEAGUE SOUTHERN PREMIER DIVISION

	P	GD	PTS
Coventry	12	37	34
Chichester	15	12	33
Cardiff	13	25	28
Oxford	14	19	28
Watford	15	4	28
<b>Argyle</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>-3</b>	<b>24</b>
Loughborough	15	11	23
Portsmouth	13	0	15
Gillingham	14	-13	14
Milton Keynes	13	14	13
QPR	15	-39	3
C&K Basildon	16	-39	2



"I THINK I WOULD HAVE BEEN ANGRIER AT MYSELF IF I DIDN'T GO OUT THERE; I HAVE ALWAYS WANTED TO TRY IT OUT"

## Originally, how were you scouted in football?

It was a long time ago. Funnily enough, it came about because someone was coming to scout my brother. He used to play in goal, the scout did come to watch him play and I was kicking a ball with my granddad in the park. They came over to my granddad and asked how old I was. I was only about four or five but the scout explained he worked at the Academy at Bolton and said that, when I turned six years old, they said they would be happy to take a look at me, and that's how it happened.

## Did your brother go on to have a career in the game?

No, but I think he could have had a career. He had Manchester City and United scouts looking at him when he was 13 or 14 but I don't think he was that serious about it. I think he just wanted to play in the park with his mates.

## Do you prefer playing in midfield or defence?

I get asked this question a lot. I don't mind, as long as I am playing, I don't mind at all.

## This is your fourth spell at Argyle – what keeps bringing you back?

I think there are lots of things. The fans; the gaffer; because I know the surroundings here. The fans are brilliant, home and away, and they have welcomed me as soon as I stepped through the door so it was very hard for me not to come back.

## What was the attraction to playing abroad?

I think it is always in the back of players' minds that they would like to play abroad and it has always been in my mind, as well.

When the opportunity to go to Belgium came up, it was always going to be hard for me to leave Plymouth. I have always wanted to try it and I think I would have been angrier at myself if I didn't go out there; I have always wanted to try it out.

## What do you enjoy most about Belgium?

The waffles! No, I am kidding, I don't actually know – I think it is just a completely different style and culture out there, which is good. Of course the language is different, as well; the main differences are the languages and the people around. There are so many places you can go that are within three-four hours travel time – you could go to Holland, France, Germany on a train or a flight, so there is a nice variety of countries over there if you wanted to go and visit.

## You mentioned the language barrier – how did you find that?

I did struggle, I had lessons once a week and I only had four lessons actually, but I felt I learned more through speaking with the lads in the team. It is sort of a mix between Flemish and Dutch. I already know a few words in Dutch but nothing to get me by; I have always had to ask people "Do you speak English?" Of course, it's nice to learn a new language and it would get you far if you get fluent in it. It was something I wanted to try out, but I couldn't really do that because I came back here.

## What differences do you notice between Belgian and English football?

I think the pace of the game. In England, it's quicker. Over in Belgium,

it is almost like basketball; it's like we attack, they attack – there isn't really a possession aspect to it unless you play against the top six teams. The physicality...in English football, you have to be stronger; over there, though, some players are a lot quicker.

## Do you have any regrets about going abroad?

I would say that the only regret was the game-time aspect. If I had stayed here, I would have got more game-time than I would have by going to Belgium, but, at that time, I didn't know that. There was always a possibility that I could have played 20 games over in Belgium. It was a risk that I took and obviously it didn't go my way. I have two years left on my contract in Belgium so after my loan spell is finished here, we will have to see what is going on.

## Who is your best mate in football?

I would say it would be Craig Tanner, but I have lots of close friends through football, both at Argyle and going back to people from the Under-13s at Bolton. I still speak to a few lads from there. I would say that I have a close group of friends.

## Birth Certificate

Date of birth  
February 16, 1994  
Place of birth  
Bolton  
Father's name  
Ian Threlkeld  
Father's occupation  
Hairdresser  
Mother's name  
Samantha Lowe  
Mother's occupation  
Hairdresser's assistant



## SCHOOL REPORT

In school, I was a mischievous character. I was in Geography one day and finished my work. I had left-handed scissors and tried to cut a piece of paper but it didn't cut, so I thought I'd cut the girls' hair. The first girl – absolutely nothing. I thought "this is going to go down a treat". The next girl – I cut her hair and about four or five inches came off; she didn't notice until she moved and all her hair went on a piece of paper. I asked her not to tell on me and I would have given her my dinner money, which was £3, but she did tell on me and she had to get a free haircut from my dad, and – yes – I did get suspended.

I loved drama, though, because I could be a character in front of the camera and so I could show off.

### 38 Why would you say Craig Tanner?

We just got on so well I think if someone put mine and his mind together, it would just be natural. We both thought the same way; we were like Harry and Lloyd.

**You are a bit of a homebird so a decision to go to Belgium was interesting; do you feel more comfortable back at Home Park?**

I wouldn't say that I needed to settle in as such because I knew a lot of the boys from last season anyway. I also know Joe Riley from being back at Bolton, so I feel like I fit in quite well. It is good that there are boys from up north because, if I want to go back home after a certain game, then I can catch a lift with them. It's quite easy now whereas, last season, there were only one or two boys from up north.

So far what's the proudest

**moment in your career and what has been the most difficult time in your career?**

The proudest moment of my career was here winning promotion with Argyle. 100%. The most difficult time of my career was being in Belgium because it is just a completely different scenario for me, everything is different: the city; the language; and the way they play. Obviously, the fact that I didn't play out there as much as I wanted to didn't help but it is just a case of being patient; if that's what I need to do then, that's what I will do.

**Before going abroad surely you knew of the challenges that might arise?**

I did understand, before I went there, that all these things were different but I just wanted to test myself. I am the type of person who wants to go and test themselves, but – yes – I did know what I was going into when I signed.

**Where does the name Threlkeld originate?**

I think it comes from Norway. I spoke with my family about it and they say that it is Norwegian. It is quite a unique name, but I haven't really looked into the history of my family too much.

**You seem to have a very close relationship with the manager?**

Do you know what? I don't actually know how that relationship started or even how we got so close. I think we just understand each other very well. It is a weird one because I do things to the gaffer that I don't think any of the other boys would even dream about doing. I remember – I think it was last season, a few days into pre-season and all the new lads were there, it was only the third or fourth training session we had had. I remember the gaffer coming over to me and he just put me in

a headlock so I grabbed him and we were both just tussling on the floor. The new boys were like "what's going on?" because they didn't know the relationship that we have. I had been with the gaffer at Argyle for a year, maybe two years so I think, in a sense, it is a strange one but, at the same time, we both know where the line is and we know not to cross it.

**How do you feel when the manager pronounces your name wrong?**

Oh that's okay. He pronounces it wrong all the time. I am just used to it now and I would never try to correct him.

**Is it true you shop in Lidl?**

It is true, yes, and I have seen a few fans there as well; it's the closest shop to where I live. What is wrong with Lidl? I needed some aftershave and I was in Lidl and it was quite late so I just bought one for £4 and sprayed it on. Matt Neil is the person who has probably told you about this: I told him it was from Lidl for £4 and now he has got one. If he is going to stick me under the bus, I will stick him under the bus, too – he has got one, and a few others at the club have used it, as well.

**Why do you like visiting Looe?**

I have only been to Looe twice but I think it's just something different. You have to get the Torpoint Ferry and obviously you would never get that in Manchester; it's a good experience and lovely scenery.



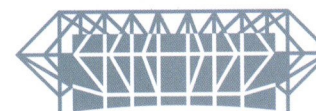


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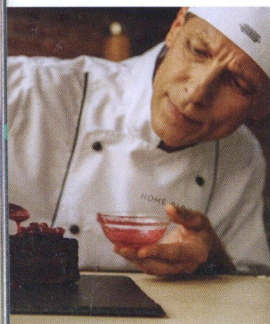
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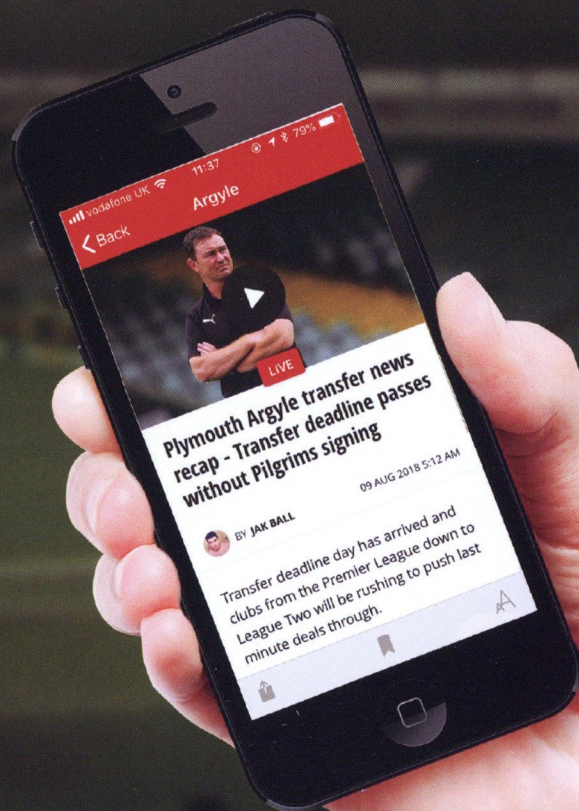
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WE would all know Graham Carey if we bumped into him in Morrisons, or recognise Ryan Edwards if we saw him strolling on the Hoe. But what about Ellen Shine, Trevor Richards and Chris McGuigan? Like dozens of others, they are as essential to success at Home Park as G and Eddy, as **NINO ROBERTSON** will explain in this series on the team behind the team.

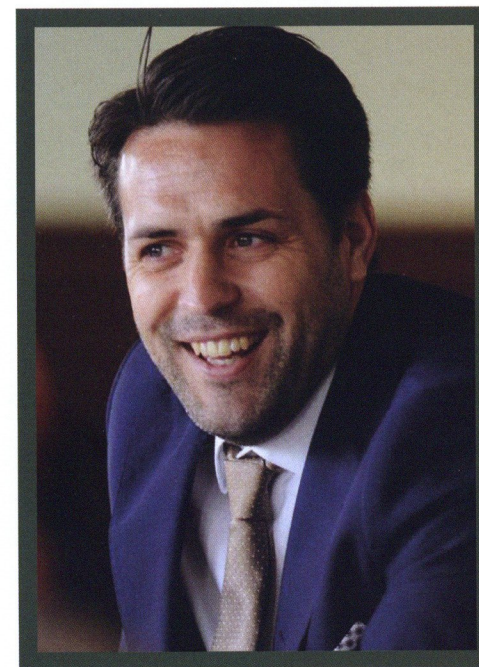
## AT YOUR SERVICE

**M**ARK Lovell, Chief Executive of the Argyle Community Trust, is responsible for managing the Trust; making sure that arm of the Argyle family is viable; and that they hit certain targets in the local community.

He said: "One of our targets could be a schools target. For example, to engage with a number of young people within a school to help them improve their confidence and motivation in PE and other school sports; on the other hand, it could be to improve the teachers' confidence to deliver school sports."

Mark has given more than ten years of service to the Trust, starting from the bottom as a volunteer in 2008 and rising through various roles.

"I have actually been here for 12 years," he said. "I was involved in an employment programme; then I got an opportunity to become a social inclusion officer, which is to deliver things like the Prince's Trust Programme.



"After that, I was promoted to social inclusion manager, then the opportunity arose to become Head of Community when my predecessor left in 2011."

Mark's background has revolved around sport in some way after gaining a degree in sports development from

Winchester University. He has had experience at another football club, too.

He said: "I started as a casual coach, where I worked up to my level two badge, at Reading Football Club, where I met Mark Rivers, who was the previous Head of Community here.

"I worked in an area called Test Valley all the time I was at University and then I did six months at the Devon FA, where I delivered some coaching in Torbay, as well."

Mark insists he enjoys every aspect of his role at Argyle, other than the everyday stresses and strains of work life, but says the most difficult part is managing the time constraints when he is pushing for more success.

He said: "I just do not think there are enough hours in the day!"

"It is difficult, but you have to make sure that you are always striving to improve. We are always looking toward our next programme, whatever that may be.

"For example Premier League Kicks is focused on young people in areas of deprivation or where anti-social behaviour and crime might be higher.

"In other areas, we put on a range of activities for the young people, especially in the evenings as they have much less to do at that time."





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## Magnificent Green Army

**T**HE superb away contingent present at Argyle's 2-0 Sky Bet League One defeat to Sunderland last Saturday did not go unnoticed by the playing squad, according to Pilgrims' wide-man Paul Anderson.

Despite a round-trip of over 800-miles standing between Plymouth-based members of the Green

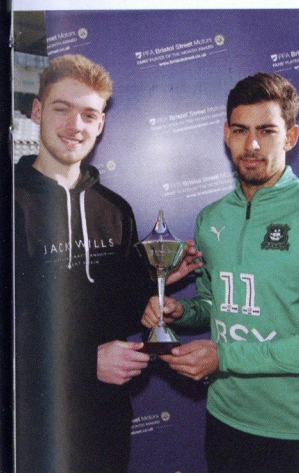
Army and the Stadium of Light, 1,726 supporters piled into the away end, and they could be heard throughout.

"It's incredible, that journey," said Paul, who is perhaps now becoming accustomed to life on the road as a Pilgrim. "We obviously had to do it yesterday, it's a long old way. You have to take your hat off to Argyle fans, they have to do it most weeks."

Despite not quite achieving a result that the fans would have wanted, they could certainly be encouraged by the Pilgrims' second-half performance. Anderson, who has a fair bit of experience playing in front of crowds like Saturday's, feels that the players were disappointed not to reward the travelling Pilgrims for their efforts.

"To do that sort of distance, it's not cheap," said Paul. "It's a long way, you're probably going to have to stay overnight to get here in time. If not, it's a very early start."

"All the lads in there know that, and that's why we're probably a little bit disappointed that we didn't put a little bit more on for them. Even at the end, they were singing loudly. They were brilliant."



## Ruben's Honour

**P**ILGRIMS' playmaker Ruben Mowatt has picked up his Bristol Street Motors PFA Fans' Player of the Month award.

Ruben received the award from Argyle fan Joe Morris, who won a competition to present the trophy after voting

for Ruben in the PFA monthly poll for January.

The Portuguese midfielder scored five goals in as many Sky Bet League One appearances in January.

Backed by an ever-loyal Green Army, polled a massive 35% of the public vote, giving him a clear

11% lead over runner-up James Collins of Luton, who scored 24%.

A distant third was Barnsley's Alex Mowatt with 13%, while former Pilgrim Ben Purrington led the best-of-the-rest with 10%, ahead of Matty Pearson (Luton) and Andy Cook (Walsall), who both finished on 9%.



The Pilgrim editorial team was struggling for someone to edit special pages dedicated to the next generation of the Green Army, so we asked the Argyle Community Trust for their help. "Simple," they said. "Why don't you ask the children to produce their own pages?"

"We were just going to say that," we replied, unconvincingly.

So it is that, this season, Small Talk will be written, produced and edited by children that participate in the Trust's wide-ranging year-long activities.

# Small Talk

## PREMIER LEAGUE READING STARS FEATURING CIARAN HOCKADAY

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### Why was Ciaran chosen for the PL Reading Stars programme?

Ciaran was chosen by Mr Spurrier, a Year 4 teacher from Mayflower Community Academy.

Mr Spurrier said: "Ciaran is a bright young lad and absolutely loves his sport. His engagement with reading is not where we would like it to be so I hope the programme will encourage Ciaran to pick up a book and read a little more off his own accord".

Premier League Primary Stars manager Nathan Guppy spoke to Ciaran on Week 1 of the programme to try and gauge what Ciaran was interested in. Ciaran said: "I've always been quite good at reading - I just don't enjoy it that much. I would much rather be playing on my Xbox or playing sport."

Ciaran played for a local football team in Plymouth and loved the competitive side of the game so Argyle Community Trust decided to make the reading stars programme a little more competitive than usual to try to see if Ciaran would naturally get involved. >>>



### >>> Stumbling Block

We made it to Week 3 of the six-week programme and Ciaran was really enjoying the programme. We had looked at skimming and scanning and turned it into a bit of competition where he was in his element.

During Week 3, we asked the children to pick a book they would like to read, and to write down why they have chosen that specific book. Ciaran immediately lost interest and did not want to take part in the session.

This is where we spoke to him about the types of books he might enjoy reading. We both agreed that football magazines might be something that interests him so, the following week, we brought in a few Match magazines and some Argyle programmes to see if this would encourage Ciaran to read.

### Turning Point

During the last few weeks of the programme, Ciaran was more engaged and happy to share his thoughts on the book with his peers and was very buoyant in doing so.

He said: "Reading books I'm actually interested in has really helped. I sometimes read at home now, which I never used to do."

We spoke to Mr Spurrier at the end of the programme and he has seen a massive difference in the classroom, as well. He said: "Ciaran's now wants to read out loud to his peers."

"He doesn't shy away any more, which is great to see. Because of the impact Plymouth Argyle's programmes had on Ciaran's reading, we wanted to give Ciaran the opportunity to design some content for the match-day programme."

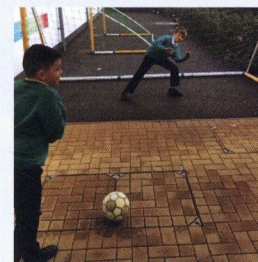
## How To Be a Good Goalkeeper Top Tips For Saving

by Ciaran Hockaday (Year 4,  
Mayflower Community Academy)

1 Keep your eyes on the ball



2 Begin to shift your weight to the side where you need to dive



3 Dive to meet the ball



4 If you cannot catch the ball, then make sure you push it to one side away from the other players

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WE had a bit of a rummage around in our attic this summer. Enjoyable as that was, we decided we had better get around to penning a series for this season's programme about long-serving Pilgrims who have been awarded a Testimonial Match for their services to the club. Today, Jack Rowley.

**J**ACK Rowley is one of the biggest stars to have played for Argyle.

After being released by his home town club Wolverhampton Wanderers aged 18, he signed for Bournemouth in 1937. Ten games and 11 goals later, at the start of the 1937-38 season, he joined Manchester United and made his debut in October 1937.

Eighteen years later, and despite having lost seven seasons to the second world war, he came to Home Park from Old Trafford, where he remains fourth in United's list of all time goal-scorers behind Wayne Rooney, Bobby Charlton and Denis Law, with 211

goals. He scored twice in their 4-2 1948 Cup Final win over Blackpool and, in helping United to the League Championship in 1952, became the first United player to score 30 goals in a season for 34 years. He played six times for England and averaged a goal a game.

In 1955, with the famous Busby Babes breaking into the first team, Matt Busby agreed to release him to become player-manager at Home Park, offering a glowing endorsement of Rowley's contribution to development of those famous young players at Old Trafford.

Playing a deeper role than he had for United, he still scored 15 times in 58 games for Argyll.

He saved them from relegation in his first season but they went down the next. After an ordinary season in the third tier he retired from playing and built a side which came close to promotion in 1957-58. The next season, his side fulfilled their promise and won the Third Division, leading the table for all but a couple of weeks.

In his time at Home Park, using his many contacts in the game Rowley signed a string of quality players from First Division reserve sides, including Harry Penk, Wilf Carter, Jimmy Gauld, Gordon Fincham, Alec Jackson, George Kirby, Jimmy MacAneaney and long-serving skipper Johnny Newman. He also converted Johnny

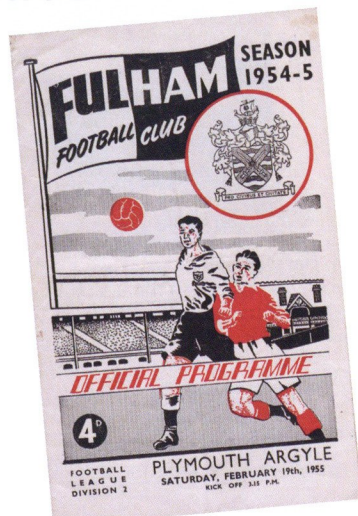
Williams from an ordinary inside-forward into an outstanding wing-half back.

Argyle struggled after the promotion and Rowley was dismissed in March 1960, bitterly disappointed that he first read about it in the Western Evening Herald. He went on to manage Oldham (twice), Wrexham, Bradford and Ajax before leaving the game to run a post office in Shaw, Lancashire.

*With thanks to Greens  
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v Fulham A, D2, February 19,  
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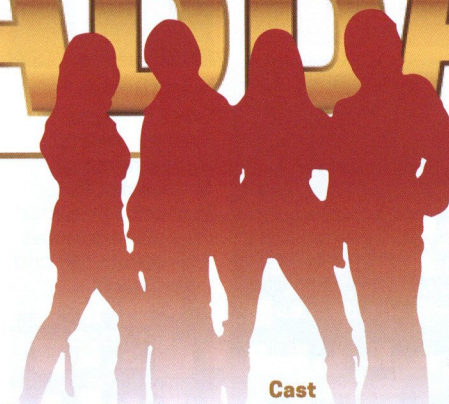
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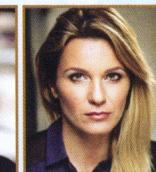
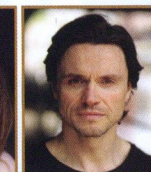
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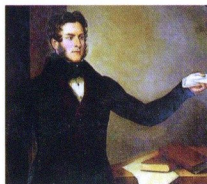
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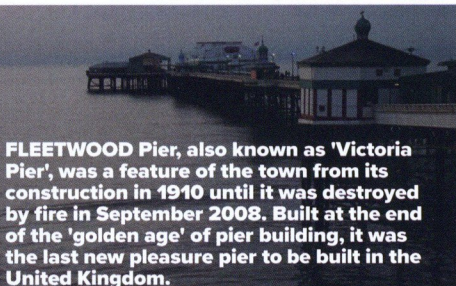
ASIDE from fish processing, the town's most notable employer comes from Lofthouse of Fleetwood, the manufacture of the popular lozenge Fisherman's Friend.

**UNTIL Forest Green's promotion to the EFL in 2017, Fleetwood was the smallest town in England to hold a league position, with a population of only 26,000.**

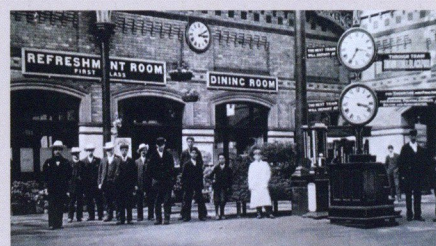


**FLEETWOOD** takes its name from the town's former principal land-owner, Peter Hesketh-Fleetwood, who also served as the region's MP and High Sheriff.

**FLEETWOOD was a popular holiday destination for a young John Lennon, who spent his childhood summers staying with a cousin who lived in the town. Famous opera singer Alfie Boe grew up in the town.**



**FLEETWOOD Pier**, also known as 'Victoria Pier', was a feature of the town from its construction in 1910 until it was destroyed by fire in September 2008. Built at the end of the 'golden age' of pier building, it was the last new pleasure pier to be built in the United Kingdom.



THE town was, for several years, the northern Fylde terminus of the railway line to London. The line also carried landed fish from the docks to distant markets. There has been no railway service to Fleetwood since 1970. Poulton-le-Fylde and Blackpool North are the nearest railway stations.

### NEXT UP

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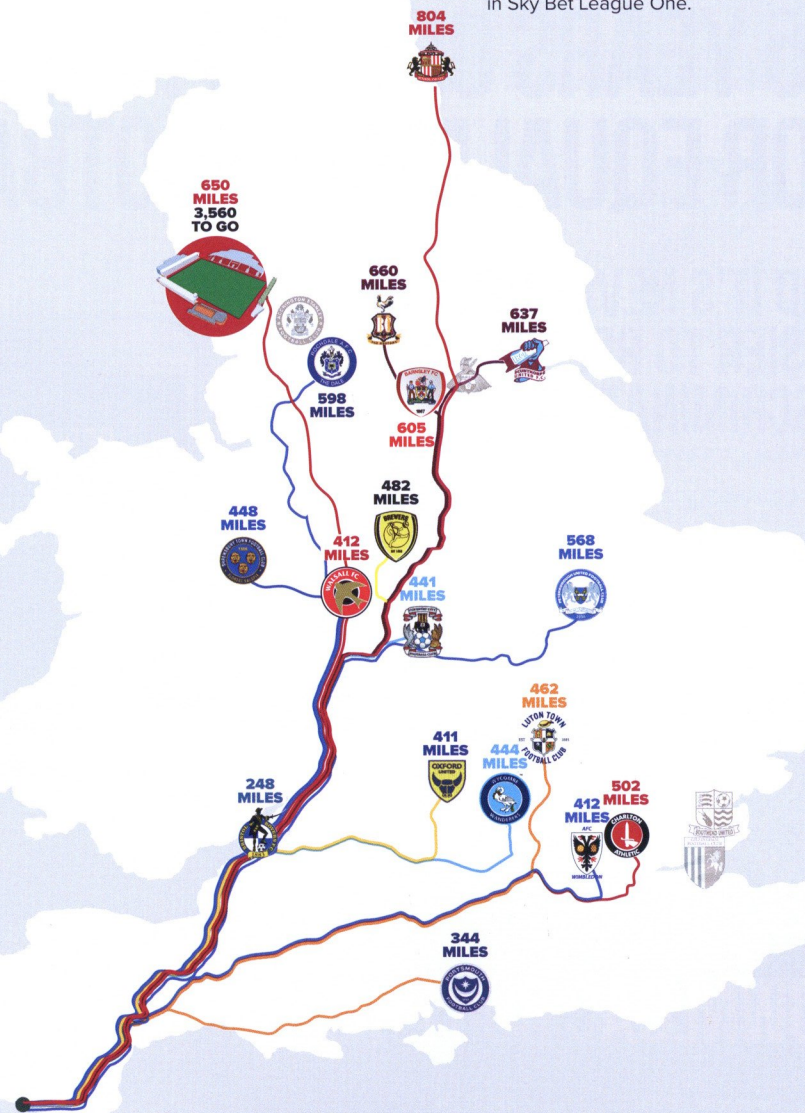
**BY CAR:** Leave the M6 at Junction 32, Broughton Interchange, following signs for the M55 Blackpool/Preston. Continue on the M55 for 7 miles, before exiting at Junction 3 to join the A585 towards Fleetwood. Continue on the A585, then the A587, until Welbeck Avenue. Follow Welbeck Avenue to its end, where you will arrive at Highbury Stadium. Beware of parking restrictions.

### BY TRAIN/BUS:

Fleetwood is no longer served by its own railway station, and the closest to the town is Blackpool. From Blackpool, there is a Fylde coast tramway, which runs past the stadium before terminating in Fleetwood. Alternatively, Bus 1 will also take you close to the stadium.

### GREENS ON THE GO

WE will be on the road for a grand total of 12,098 EFL miles this season – more or less the equivalent of journeying from Plymouth to Tokyo and back. That is a lot of miles and miles and miles to follow the Greens in Sky Bet League One.



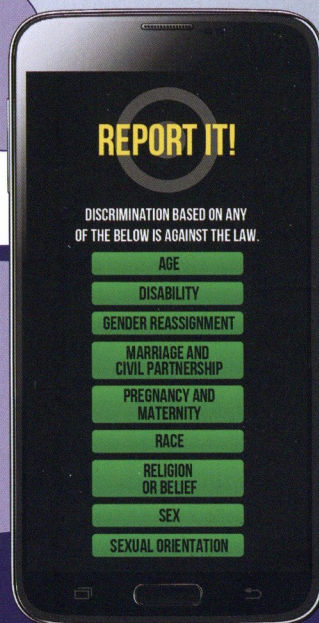


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What are the odds? Another Mark Lovell, another Pilgrim. Formerly of Tavistock, this Mark Lovell played in the same Plymouth Schools side as Jock Morrison and used to open the batting with Geoff Crudgington for Tavistock CC. His first Argyle memory includes John Delve shots disappearing over the crossbar around 1977. He has lived in Germany since the early 1990s following a spell in the Royal Air Force and, after retraining as a journalist, he now covers the Bundesliga. He cannot avoid watching his beloved Argyle on iFollow even when working at the Allianz Arena for a Bayern Munich game. You can follow Mark on Twitter @LovellLowdown

## Argyle Abroad



### Battle with Borussia - Part 1

**B**ORUSSIA Dortmund, 1997 Champions' League winners under the historic lights of Munich's Olympiastadion, will forever be indebted to Argyle after these "two top teams in the world" met in BVB's first-ever match under floodlights in the famous surroundings of Chicago's Soldier Field in 1954.

It was billed, in the excited American Press, as a meeting of two leading European teams as "the Argyles of Plymouth, England" met "the Dortmunds of West Germany" who had lifted the Westmeisterschaft five times in the previous eight years.

This Hollywood-style top billing was not fake news as far as Argyle were concerned, having finished fourth in the Second Division in 1952-53, our highest finish to date in the EFL and, to this day, the closest the Pilgrims have ever come to playing top-flight football.

It was most definitely a golden era – an Argyle side sprinkled with legendary names such as goalkeeper Bill Shortt and Jack Chisholm at the heart of the defence.

The Chicago Daily Tribune described Chisholm as the "bearded wrestling

champion of the Royal Navy" but, according to the Argyle programme notes later that year, Jack did not remember being a wrestling champion and nor did he serve in the Navy. During the second world war, he was Guardsman Chisholm of the Irish Guards.

These two illustrious touring sides "enlivened the Chicago soccer scene", according to the Tribune.

"The Chicago national soccer league thought it was about time our town saw some champions sports teams and will sponsor a match between England's Plymouth Argyle and the famous Borussia."

Argyle set sail from Southampton for New York ten days previously on the SS Ile de France, where they arrived after the obligatory rough crossing.

Argyle's touring party

travelled 14,000 miles in 44 days during their marathon tour of the States, playing ten matches, winning eight and ultimately losing only twice - both against the German heavyweights.

Two directors, Edgar Dobell and Bob Heath, accompanied manager Jimmy Rae and trainer George Taylor alongside: Chisholm, Shortt, Neil Dougall, Les Major, Pat Jones, Paddy Ratcliffe, George Robertson, Johnny Porteous, Tony McShane (former Tavistock Golf Club stalwart), Malcolm Davies, Arthur Morgan, Sam McCrory, Ernie Edds, Neil Langman (former Tavistock School caretaker) and Jimmy Crawford.

The Miller Brewing Company sponsored Dortmund's tour of the States. Still smarting after a crushing 6-0 defeat to German rivals Fortuna Dusseldorf in New York,



Dortmund soon took their frustrations out on Argyle, who were embarking on their first game of their arduous ten-match tour on May 7, 1954 in front of 12,763 half-frozen fans in the windy city.

Argyle were indebted to a string of fine saves from goalkeeper Shortt to keep on level terms before Dortmund took command after Adi Preissler broke the deadlock on the half-hour mark.

Alfred Niepieklo and Herbert Sandmann put Dortmund out of sight in the second half before Preissler pounced for his second with ten minutes remaining at Soldier Field, with Dortmund running out comfortable 4-0 winners.

Read more about Argyle's second titanic struggle of 1954 against Borussia Dortmund, seven days later in Los Angeles' Wrigley Field in Tuesday's edition of the Pilgrim.



ARGYLE TEAM EN ROUTE TO THE U.S.A., 1954  
Back: J. Chisholm, P. Ratcliffe, N. Langman, J. Crawford, A. McShane, H. Davies, L. Major, P. Jones, G. Taylor, E. Edds.  
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# ARGYLE ACADEMY

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## LLOYD JONES ATTENDS ACADEMY TRAINING

WE were very appreciative to Lloyd Jones for taking the time to accompany Under-14s coach James Bradley to a training session at Ivybridge Community College.

Lloyd watched the players train and participate in their strength and conditioning programmes; he then spent time answering their questions. He was asked about his game-preparation, recovery, and about his nutrition.

I am sure some of the players were also keen to question him about his time with Liverpool.

## SUCCESSIVE MERIT LEAGUE 2 VICTORIES ARGYLE UNDER-18S 3 CAMBRIDGE UNITED 2

OUR fine start in the EFL Merit League 2 continued with a hard-fought victory at Callington Town's Ginsters Marshfield Parc to give us maximum points from two games.

It was hard fought because we gifted Cambridge two goals after we had established a two-goal lead, leaving ourselves having to doggedly defend a slender lead in the final 11 minutes of an entertaining game.

We started well and were in control of the game, but it took us until the 28th minute to open our account. Rio Garside was fouled on the angle of the area and the U's goalkeeper Chris Chadwick could only divert Adam Randell's fierce free-kick inside his near post.

It was 2-0 on 41 minutes when Rhys Shirley pulled the ball back for Garside who was hauled down by Tom Dickens before picking himself up to confidently convert the subsequent penalty.

Our young Pilgrims started the second half brightly with Tom Purrington and Garside both going close before Cambridge pulled a goal back on 59 minutes. A low drive by Darcy Blake was fumbled by Harry Townsend for Josh Brays to fire home amidst a furious goalmouth scramble.

To our credit, we took just a minute to re-establish our two-goal lead courtesy of a rare header from Garside that looped over Chadwick, but, disappointingly, it was an error between Townsend and our defence that left Blake to steer the ball home from close range and leave us with a nervous end to the game.

**Argyle:** Harry Townsend, Michael Peck, Ollie Tomlinson, Tom Purrington, Andy Burn, Adam Randell, Rio Garside, Finley Craske, Scott Crocker (Rubin Wilson 73), Rhys Shirley (Oscar Massey 90) Reuben Collum (Alfie Wotton 66). **Substitutes (not used):** Tyler Coombes, Charlie Miller.

## ST LUKE'S CHALLENGE CUP

OUR third attempt to take on Exmouth Town in the quarter-final of the Edenvale Turf St Luke's Challenge Cup was abandoned at half-time.

The scores were at 0-0 when the officials decided thick fog made it unsafe to continue and the game was called off before the second half started.

## MIXED FORTUNES FOR RESERVES ARGYLE 3 BODMIN TOWN 0

WE produced a super second-half display to temporarily move back on top of the Carlsberg South-West Peninsula League Premier Division.

Following a relatively sedate first period with few chances at either end, we burst into life with a goal immediately after the restart, when a terrific cross from the left from Lionel Ainsworth was headed in by Alex Fletcher.

A handball in the Bodmin defence gave us a second from the penalty spot, neatly converted by Alex Fletcher.

Bodmin threatened at the other end with a long-range drive that Michael Cooper just turned away from goal before the decisive third was scored by Ainsworth, rifling home an assist from Luke Jephcott.

**Argyle:** Michael Cooper; Tafari Moore, Ryan Law, Ben Musslewhite (Charlie Miller 80), Jordan Bentley (Ollie Tomlinson 70), Isaac Burdon, Lionel Ainsworth, Jude Boyd, Alex Fletcher (Rubin Wilson 80), Aaron Goulty, Luke Jephcott.

## SALTASH UNITED 3 ARGYLE 1

WE dropped further behind Peninsula League Premier Division leaders Exmouth Town after a frustrating defeat.

The Ashes were inspired from the first minute at a blustery Kimberley Stadium, surging in front when Sam Hughes pounced from close range, and our boys were two behind at the break after Ryan Richards converted a cross from Danny Lewis.

Saltash effectively sealed their victory with a thunderbolt from Richard Maddison early in the second half before Alex Fletcher grabbed a consolation for us, continuing his good run of form in front of goal.

**Argyle:** Michael Cooper; Tafari Moore, Ryan Law, Connor Grant (Adam Randell), Andy Burn, Isaac Burdon, Lionel Ainsworth, Antoni Sarcevic (Tom Purrington 60), Alex Fletcher, Jude Boyd (Michael Peck 80), Luke Jephcott.

## A FINE FINISH ARGYLE 4 ASTON VILLA 1

WE rounded off our Under-23 Premier League Cup campaign with a thumping 4-1 win over defending champions Aston Villa at Home Park.

We recovered from going a goal behind after Tyreik Wright gave the visitors a first-half lead, but scored an equaliser from Alex Battle, before goals from Luke Jephcott, Dan Rooney and Alex Fletcher added some gloss to the score line.

First-team squad members Conor Grant and Jamie Ness were included as over-age players, as they looked to step up their recovery from medium-term injury lay-offs.



Our young Greens belied the two clubs' gulf in resources with a scintillating start, hitting the woodwork twice in the opening two minutes. Firstly, a delicious in-swinging free-kick from Grant was nodded on to the far post by a Villa defender, with Ness's rebound deflected inches wide of the post.

From the resultant corner, it was Ness again who came close, seeing his hooked volley crash off the crossbar after being supplied by Jordan Bentley's superb cushioned header.

It was Villa, though, who took the lead on 17 minutes. Ryan Law took a little too long to get the ball out from under his feet; Villa forward Wright pounced on his dalliance and punished our Young Pilgrims, slotting the ball into the far corner past an exposed Mike Cooper.

We continued to cause trouble for the visiting defenders through the set-pieces of Grant, so it was perhaps unsurprising that is where our equaliser came from. The midfielder's left-footed out-swinging corner was met with full force by the towering head of Bentley. Although the centre-back's goal-bound effort was blocked, it was helped towards goal by Ness, and turned home by Battle from all of two yards.

As the half drew to a close, our young Greens were handed a golden opportunity to take the lead. Rooney, working doggedly to find a route to goal in a busy

Villa box, was clattered inside the area. From the resultant spot-kick, Jephcott coolly slotted into the bottom left corner.

During the interval, senior players Grant and Ness were withdrawn, but the team began the second-half as they finished the first and doubled their advantage on 51 minutes.

Fletcher found some space on the right-flank, setting off on a devastating run past the full-back and into the box. His dribble continued unchecked to the by-line, where he laid off the simplest of finishes for Rooney to tap home.

They added the fourth when Fletcher, who had deserved a goal for sheer mileage covered, turned Rooney's perfectly-threaded centre into the far corner of the net.

This performance rounded off a tremendous effort from this group of players throughout their under-23 Premier League Cup fixtures, demonstrating that they can compete against this level of quality opposition.

**Argyle (4-3-3):** Mike Cooper; Harry Hodges, Mike Peck, Jordan Bentley, Ryan Law; Dan Rooney (Klaidi Lolos 76), Jamie Ness (Tom Purrington half-time), Conor Grant (Adam Randell), Luke Jephcott, Alex Fletcher (capt), Alex Battle. **Substitutes (not used):** Harry Townsend (gk), Isaac Burdon.

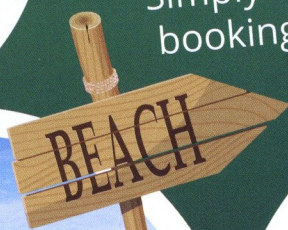


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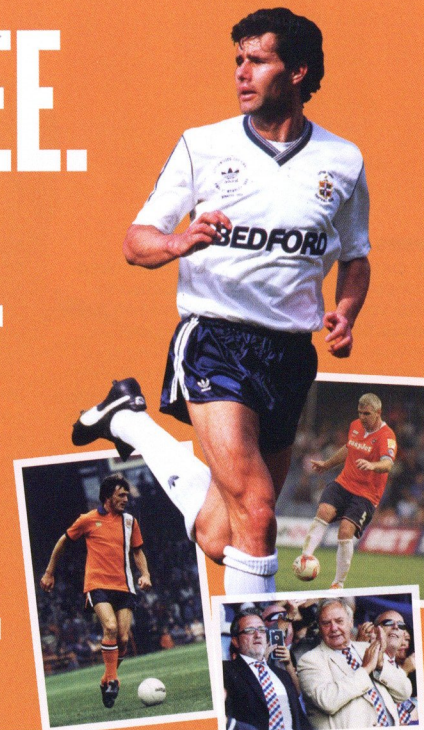
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#### COLOURS

FORMED in 1885, Luton Town was cobbled together by combining the best players of the Bedfordshire town's flagship sides, Luton Wanderers and Luton Excelsior. Despite some objection to the prospect, the club was eventually formed, and opted to play in half-and-half salmon-pink and navy blue, with an accessory hat, for their debut season.

The club considered plenty of colours in its fledgling years before seemingly settling on sky blue shirts and white shorts between 1900-1920.

For the 50 years that followed, Luton switched out the blue-and-white for a white shirts, black shorts combination. The orange kit the club currently wears did not make its

first appearance until the 1973-74 season, but has remained in the picture, save for a few spells where they reverted back to white-and-black, since.

#### CREST

THE club's nickname, the Hatters, derives from the Bedfordshire town's thriving hat manufacturing trade – particularly in the production of straw boaters. One of the club's earliest crests, in 1933, simply portrayed one of Luton's finest hats adorning a white crest.

This evolved, in 1935, to a different hat on a black background, with 'LTFC' emblazoned across the bottom.

Following the second world war, Luton's crest changed tack, moving from the hat-themed design to the town's Coat of Arms, which

first appeared on a club shirt when they reached the FA Cup Final in 1959.

The town's motif includes a bee adorning a white cross, representing industry, and the hive in the top-right corner is a metaphor for the town's straw-plaiting trade. The rose and thistle also prominent in the borough's design are references to Sir John Napier, of Scotland, who brought the trade to Luton. The Coat of Arms has, except for a few seasons, been a mainstay in the club's emblem ever since its introduction in the late 1950s.

#### CHAIRMAN

LIFE-LONG Hatters fan David Wilkinson acquired the top seat at the table in April 2018, after his fellow directors voted him into office following the

departure of predecessor Nick Owen.

David has taken personal interest in Luton since 1958, when he attended his first game, a 4-1 win over West Ham in the old First Division. The club was in a far less glamorous place, though, by the time he became financially committed to the Kenilworth Road club. Having entered administration in 2007, which subsequently caused the club to fall out of the EFL altogether, Luton needed a buyer.

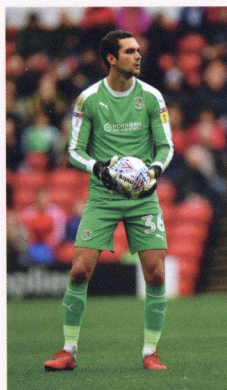
Wilkinson was one of the first of a supporters' consortium known as Luton Town 2020 to pledge his investment, and having saved the club from potential closure, is now overseeing the Hatters' charge back up for football league pyramid.



# WHO ARE YA?

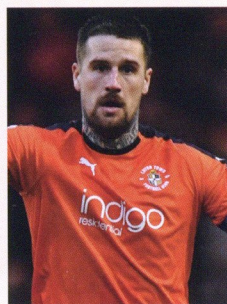
## GOALKEEPERS

THE Hatters' current first-choice stopper is former Arsenal youth graduate **James Shea**. The Islington-born goalkeeper originally joined Luton in 2017 following a three-year stint at AFC Wimbledon, where he was a part of the League Two play-off victory over Argyle at Wembley – albeit from the bench. In Shea's early career, he spent a spell on loan at Southampton, but never made an appearance, before playing one solitary game between the sticks for Dagenham & Redbridge. He spent a brief spell outside of the top four English divisions, playing non-league at Needham Market and Harrow Borough, before returning to the big-time with the Dons. Shea has been part of one of League One's meanest defences but he faces stiff competition from experienced 'keeper Marek Stech and youngster Harry Isted, formerly of Stoke City.



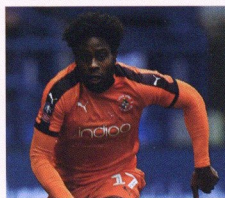
## DEFENCE

THE Green Army need no re-introduction to Hatters centre-half **Sonny Bradley**, who enjoyed a career-defining spell at Home Park between 2016-2018, where he was a key cog in the Pilgrims' defensive set-up that finished runners-up in Sky Bet League Two. At the end of last season, after a long-rumoured courtship, the then Luton manager Nathan Jones lured Sonny to Bedfordshire after the expiry of his Argyle contract, and he has now established himself at the heart of the table-toppers' defence. Alongside Bradley, who often captains the side in the absence of experienced defender Alan Sheehan, is Matty Pearson, who joined the Hatters from Barnsley at the start of the current campaign. Jack Stacey, who spent a successful period on loan at Exeter City from Reading, is Luton's regular right-back, which has seen James Justin switch flanks on to the left-side of the Hatters' defence as they look to achieve back-to-back promotions.



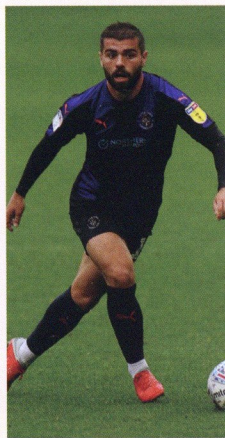
## MIDFIELD

**PELLY Ruddock Mpanzu** has played every minute of the Hatters' Sky Bet League One campaign this season. The versatile midfielder is adept across all areas of midfield, and can even operate as an emergency defender if needs be. Starting out at Boreham Wood, Mpanzu was quickly snapped up as a development player at nearby West Ham United. After a brief, but successful, loan period at Kenilworth Road, he made the permanent switch to the Hatters in 2014, and has made more than 150 appearances for the club. Luke Berry is only recently back in the throes of first-team action following a horrific ankle injury sustained in the back-end of last season. Aberdeen-born Andrew Shinnie has a wealth of experience in England and Scotland, and has also played in a number of positions this season, including attacking midfield, both wings and central midfield. Perhaps no player in the Luton engine-room has more experience than 35-year-old Alan McCormack, though, whose 16-year professional career has taken in spells at Preston, Southend, Charlton, Swindon and Brentford, among others.



## ATTACK

**BROTHER** of former Argyle and Luton player Olly, **Elliot Lee** is a dangerous attacker who often floats between the attacking midfield and striker positions. Already into double-figures for the campaign, Elliot bagged a goal and an assist in Town's 5-1 drubbing of Argyle earlier in the season. Having joined the club on loan in January, Scotland international Jason Cummings has bolstered Luton's already sterling attacking options. Cummings spent the early part of the League One campaign on-loan at Peterborough from parent club Nottingham Forest, before being seconded out to Luton in the new year. Cummings bagged a brace for the Posh in their early-season victory over Argyle at Home Park. There is also the not insignificant goal threat of Harry Cornick, Kazenga LuaLua and Danny Hylton with which to contend.



## One To Watch James Collins

Goals against Argyle  
this season

Height in  
centimetres

Career red cards v  
Argyle: (Crawley 1  
Argyle 2, April 4, 2017)

Goals per game at Luton

Career clubs:  
Aston Villa,  
Darlington,  
Burton,  
Shrewsbury,  
Swindon,  
Hibernian,  
Northampton,  
Crawley, Luton

Ireland  
Under-21  
appearances  
(3 goals)

Goals for  
Shrewsbury (154  
appearances)

League One goals this season





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# REMEMBER WHEN?

CHARLIE ROSE casts his mind back to a previous meeting between Luton and Argyle

**November 28, 2006  
Argyle 1  
Luton Town 0**

### THE TEAMS

**Argyle:** Luke McCormick, Paul Connolly (Tony Capaldi), Marcel Seip, Gary Sawyer, Lee Hodges, David Norris, Paul Wotton, Luke Summerfield, Akos Buzsaky (Sylvan Ebanks-Blake), Barry Hayles, Bojan Djordjic (Lilian Nalis).

**Luton Town:** Dean Kiely, Kevin Foley (David Bell), Russell Perrett, Leon Barnett, Carlos Edwards, Ahmet Brkovic, Steve Robinson, Markus Heikkinen, Lewis Emanuel, Rowan Vine, Warren Feeney (Dean Morgan).

### THE GAME

After a disappointing 2-1 defeat to Leeds United the weekend previously, a mid-table Argyle side were looking to climb into the Championship play-off picture with the visit of Luton Town, a team that had not won in their previous six games.

Manager Ian Holloway made four starting line-up changes to the side, most notably the introduction of a fresh-faced Gary Sawyer for his full first-team debut in front of a crowd of 9,965 at Home Park, including 186 travelling Hatters.

### THE GOALSCORER

Scoring his third goal in as many appearances, Bojan Djordjic popped up at the right place at

the right time again to give his manager and the Green Army something to cheer about.

The net-rippling winner under the Home Park floodlights turned out to be his last goal for the club, as Djordjic made 10 more appearances in Green before his release. After leaving Argyle, the former Manchester United prospect headed home to Sweden, linking up with AIK.

Bojan then reunited with Ian Holloway at Blackpool in the Championship. After failing to make an appearance for the Tangerines, the midfielder enjoyed spells at Royal Antwerp, Brommapojkarna and Vasalund, before finishing his playing career at Chennaiyin.

### THE STARTING DEBUTANT

Making his first ever start for Argyle that evening was someone who would go on to make well over 200 appearances for Argyle. And counting. Current club captain Gary Sawyer had three substitute appearances to his name prior to taking his place in the starting line-up.

After more than 100 games under his belt, Gary parted ways with the Greens and signed for Bristol Rovers. After two years of service to the Gas, Sawyer found himself at Leyton Orient.

Upon Derek Adams' arrival at Home Park in 2015, the Scot made Sawyer his first signing at Home Park, re-uniting Gaz with his first professional club. Since his arrival back in Devon, Gary has

an integral member of the Pilgrims' squad and, upon Luke McCormick's departure last season, he became club captain.

### THE LAST TIME

Despite an overall good record against today's visitors, we have not won a home against the Hatters since this fixture in 2006.

### THE POPCULTURE

Rising three places to knock Akon's Smack That off the top of the UK singles chart was Patience by Take That; in its opening week in the DVD charts, the second film of the Pirates of the Caribbean franchise, Dead Man's Chest, went straight to the top; and in its second week at the top of the UK Box Office charts was the highest grossing film that year, Martin Campbell's Casino Royale.







# CLASSIC CAMPAIGNS

Above: 1958-59 Luton lost in the FA Cup final against Nottingham Forest 2-1.

Below: 1967-68 Winners of the Fourth Division.

**FOOTBALL** historian **LEIGH EDWARDS** selects ten post-war Luton Town 'Classic Campaigns'.

## 1954-55

GORDON Turner scored 32 goals as Luton Town won promotion to the top-flight for the first time in 1954-55. The Hatters began with a 3-0 victory at home to Nottingham Forest and soared up the Second Division table with six straight wins. Gordon Turner grabbed a hat-trick as Luton trounced Blackburn 7-3 and they triumphed 5-1 at Nottingham Forest. Dally Duncan's side maintained their challenge, slamming four goals past Hull City, Rotherham, Liverpool and Port Vale. Tom Aherne and Shay Dunne were ever present as Luton pipped Rotherham to the runners-up slot on goal average with a 3-0 win at Doncaster.

## 1958-59

LUTON were FA Cup finalists for the first and only time in 1958-59. The Hatters were unbeaten in their opening ten First Division games, trouncing Manchester City 5-1 and scoring four goals past West Ham and Preston. They recovered from a lean spell to beat Arsenal 6-3 and Burnley 6-2, then top scorer Allan Brown netted four goals in a 5-1 demolition of Nottingham Forest but poor results over the closing weeks saw them finish below mid-table. Luton defeated Leeds 5-1, Leicester 4-1, Ipswich 5-2, Blackpool 1-0 and Norwich 1-0 in the FA Cup before Syd Owen's side lost 2-1 to Nottingham Forest in the final.

## 1967-68

BRUCE Riach netted 24 goals as Luton won the Fourth Division title in 1967-68. New captain Terry Branston made

his debut as the Hatters kicked off with a 1-1 draw at Wrexham and Ian Buxton arrived from Derby in September. Luton lost just two of their first 18 matches and beat Charlton in the EFL Cup first round, scoring 27 goals in a run of eight successive wins. Allan Brown's side went top of the table with a 2-0 win at Brentford in February and Keith Allen, Max Dougan, Fred Jardine, John Moore and Ray Whittaker also starred as they remained in pole position, clinching the title with a 4-0 victory over Crewe.

## 1969-70

MALCOLM Macdonald scored 25 times as Luton won promotion in 1969-70. The Hatters had narrowly missed promotion the previous season and Bruce Riach was sold to Aston Villa for a record fee, with Alec Stock signing Malcolm Macdonald, John Ryan

and John Collins. Luton were early leaders after remaining unbeaten in their opening 13 matches, recruiting Chris Nicholl from Halifax and Matt Tees from Charlton. Malcolm Macdonald grabbed hat-tricks in 5-0 wins over Bradford City and Reading, with Luton unbeaten in their last six matches and clinching promotion as Third Division runners-up with a 0-0 draw at Mansfield

## 1973-74

LUTON Town regained top-flight status after an absence of 14 years in 1973-74. The Hatters recovered from a 4-0 defeat at Nottingham Forest on the opening day to hammer Carlisle 6-1, embarking on an eight-match unbeaten run. Harry Haslam signed Alan West from Burnley and Jimmy Husband from Everton as Luton maintained their promotion challenge.

Husband netted a hat-trick in a 3-1 victory over rivals Orient, then leading marksman Barry Butlin scored three in a 4-2 win over Preston. Alan Garner and Bobby Thomson were ever-present and other stars included Peter Anderson and John Ryan as Luton finished runners-up.

## 1981-82

DAVID Pleat guided Luton to the Second Division title in 1981-82. The Hatters had narrowly missed promotion in the previous two years and Tony Grealish was swapped for Brighton's Brian Horton. They raced to the top by winning their first three games and hammered rivals Watford 4-1, then Steve White scored four times in a 6-0 demolition of Grimsby. Richard Money arrived from Liverpool and was an influential figure as Luton were unbeaten in their last 14 matches.

Leading marksman Brian Stein, Mal Donaghy, Kirk Stephens and Steve White were all ever-present as Luton won the title with 88 points.

## 1987-88

RAY Harford plotted Luton's 1988 EFL Cup final triumph. Danny Wilson replaced Peter Nicholas in midfield, while Micky Weir arrived from Hibernian and Mike Newell moved to Leicester. The Hatters won 5-2 at Oxford and Ian Allinson was signed from Stoke in October, with Luton losing just twice in 12 matches including a 7-4 win in the return match against Oxford, finishing ninth in the top-flight. They defeated Wigan 5-2, Coventry 3-1, Ipswich 1-0, Bradford City 2-0 and Oxford 3-1 in the EFL Cup before beating Arsenal 3-2 in the final. Luton were also FA Cup semi-finalists and Simod Cup finalists.

## 1988-89

LUTON were EFL Cup finalists for the second consecutive season in 1988-89. Departures were Brian Stein, Mark

Stein and Andy Dibble, while newcomers included Roy Wegerle, John Dreyer and Steve Williams. Luton's first home win was 1-0 against Liverpool and they beat Southampton 6-1 in January but First Division form was generally disappointing, with the Hatters narrowly avoiding relegation by winning three of their last four games. Luton defeated Burnley 2-1, Leeds United 2-0, Manchester City 3-1, Southampton 2-1 and West Ham 5-0 in the EFL Cup before losing 3-1 to Nottingham Forest in the final.

## 2001-02

STEVE Howard scored 24 times as Luton won promotion in 2001-02. Joe Kinnear's side were early leaders after winning their opening two matches and newcomer Carl Griffiths netted a hat-trick in a 5-1 win over Torquay. The Hatters briefly regained pole position after beating Darlington 5-2 in October, signing Chris Coyne from Dundee, Jean-Louis Valois from

Lille, Dean Crowe from Stoke, Ahmet Brkovic from Orient and Dave Bayliss from Rochdale. A run of 12 successive wins, slamming five goals past Halifax and Mansfield, took Luton back to the top with two games remaining before they finished runners-up to Argyle.

## 2004-05

MIKE Newell managed Luton to the League One title in 2004-05. The Hatters stormed to the top of the table, winning 10 of their first 12 games before three successive defeats. They beat Bradford City 4-0 and Wrexham 5-1, then Steve Howard netted a hat-trick in a 4-1 win at MK Dons. The 1-0 victory over Port Vale in December heralded a 14 match unbeaten run and Luton bounced back from a 3-1 defeat in the return fixture to hammer Bristol City 5-0. Briefly displaced as leaders by Hull, they triumphed 4-1 at Torquay and secured promotion with four games remaining. Luton won the title with a record 98 points.





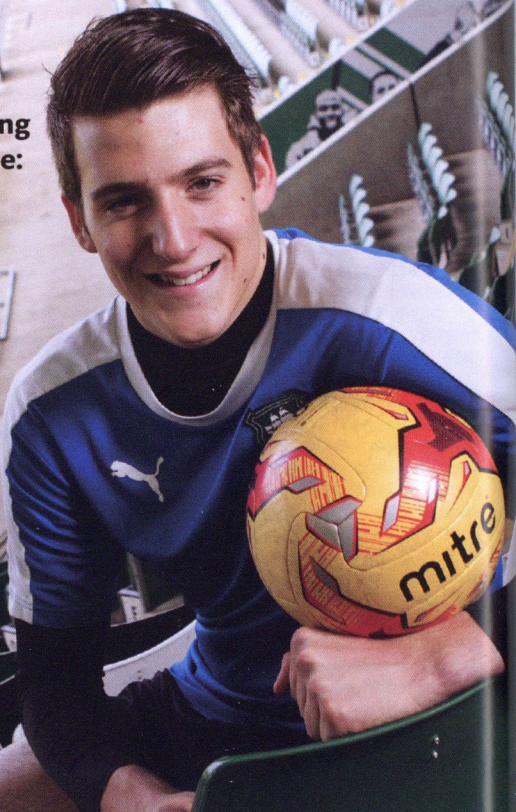
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### OVERALL SUMMARY:

HOME	AWAY	OVERALL	ARGYLE HOME RESULT	ARGYLE AWAY RESULT	FREQUENCY
P36	P37	P73	W	W	3
W21	W8	W29	W	D	9
D6	D15	D21	D	W	1
L9	L14	L23	W	L	9
F66	F46	F112	L	W	4
A41	A62	A103	D	D	2
			D	L	4
			L	D	3
			L	L	1

From the first line of the above table, we see that we have done the double over Luton three times. From the last line, we see that they have done the double over us once.

		LUTON GOALS					
		0	1	2	3	4	5
ARGYLE GOALS	0	3	5	3	4 <sup>1</sup>	0	0
	1	5	13	3	4	0	1 <sup>3</sup>
	2	6 <sup>2</sup>	8	3	1	1	1 <sup>5</sup>
	3	1	1	0	2	0	0
	4	3	1	0	3 <sup>5</sup>	0	0
	5	0	0	0	0	0	0
	6	0	1 <sup>15</sup>	0	0	0	0

1) Our record win over the Hatters is 6-1 on November 9, 1929. A brace from Jack Vidler, together with goals from Ray Bowden, Tommy Grozier, Sammy Black and Frank Sloan gave Robert Jack's promotion bound Pilgrims their joint best victory of the season.

2) Our best win in this fixture at Kenilworth Road is 2-0, a score line that we have recorded three times, most recently on January 17, 1970. Derek Rickard and Mike Bickle scored for Billy Bingham's team in a match that was shown on Match of the Day. Luton

3) Our record defeat in this fixture came in the last meeting between the two clubs - Luton's 5-1 home victory back on November 17. Joel Grant scored our 89th-minute consolation goal.

4) Our worst home defeat against Luton is 3-0, which has been recorded twice - most recently on the opening day of the 2016-17 season. The last time that the clubs met at Home

5) The most goals scored in a single EFL match between these two clubs is seven. As well as our 6-1 win over the Hatters (see 1 above) we also lost to them 5-2 in the same season. That second match took place at Kenilworth Road on March 15, 1930; our goals came from Sammy Black and a Rob Millar own goal. It was our only defeat in 17 matches.

Park. Town's goals were scored by Danny Hylton, Jack Marriott and substitute Jonathan Smith. Among nine players making their debuts that day for the Pilgrims were Sonny Bradley, David Fox and Yann Songo'o.

## FURTHER INTERESTING FACTS

- 4** Following today's game, Luton will become our joint-fourth most regular EFL opponents, drawing level with Brentford who we have also met 74 times. Only Bristol Rovers (89), Swansea City (80) and Brighton & Hove Albion (76) have played us more often in the League.
- 13** The most common result between the two clubs is the 1-1 draw which has been recorded 13 times. Interestingly, 11 of these have been at Kenilworth Road, with the only two 1-1 draws at Home Park coming in December 1948 and September 1960.
- 6** Our defeat in Luton in November brought to an end a six-game undefeated away run for Argyle against the Hatters in the EFL, stretching back more than 15 years. Three of those six games were won.





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## MEET THE MANAGER

### Mick Harford

ANDREW McDONNELL would like to introduce you to the chap standing on the sidelines, exhorting his team, who is not Derek Adams.

**L**UTON Town were handed a major blow when former manager Nathan Jones departed for Championship outfit Stoke City in January.

Mick Harford was brought in as caretaker manager, but after seeing him win five of his first six league games in charge, Luton decided to extend the appointment until the end of the 2018-19 campaign.

The Sunderland-native began his career with Lincoln City, where he scored 41 goals in 115 appearances before moving on to Newcastle United and then Bristol City.

After a successful spell with Birmingham City, Luton signed the striker in 1984 and he remained with the club for six years.

In 1988, Harford was called up to the England side for the friendly matches against Israel and Denmark and was also part of the Hatters team that beat Arsenal to

win the League Cup that same year.

Manchester United manager Sir Alex Ferguson wanted to sign Harford in 1991, but the striker opted to sign for Luton instead after a short spell with Derby County.

He was on the move again in July 1993, joining Chelsea, and he became the club's first player to score a Premier League goal, against Oldham Athletic.

Harford finished top scorer for the Blues that season, but was sold to his hometown club, Sunderland, that summer.

After making one appearance for Coventry City, Harford's final playing destination was Wimbledon, where he spent four years before hanging up his boots.

He moved into coaching with Wimbledon and then, after Luton were relegated to the Third Division in 2001,

he moved back to Kenilworth Road.

Harford was the first-team coach as the Hatters won promotion back to the Second Division as runners-up to Argyle at the first time of asking, but, along with manager Joe Kinnear, he was sacked in 2003.

His next move in management was to step in as caretaker at Nottingham Forest and, once the club appointed a new full-time manager, he departed in January 2005.

Harford had a short spell with Rotherham United in 2005, and then Queens Park Rangers as caretaker manager in 2007, before being appointed manager of Luton in 2008.

After a year with the Hatters, Harford departed and, after his next short spell with QPR, the former striker bounced around the EFL before being appointed as caretaker at Luton until the end of the season.

#### LUTON'S LAST TEN MANAGERS

**Nathan Jones**  
Jan 2016-  
Jan 2019

**Andy Awford**  
Dec 2015-  
Jan 2016

**John Still**  
Feb 2013-  
Dec 2015

**Alan Neilson**  
Feb 2013

**Paul Buckle**  
Apr 2012-  
Feb 2013

**Alan Neilson**  
Mar-Apr 2012

**Gary Brabin**  
Mar 2011-  
Mar 2012

**Richard Money**  
Oct 2009-  
Mar 2011

**Alan Neilson**  
Oct 2009

**Mick Harford**  
Jan 2008-  
Oct 2009

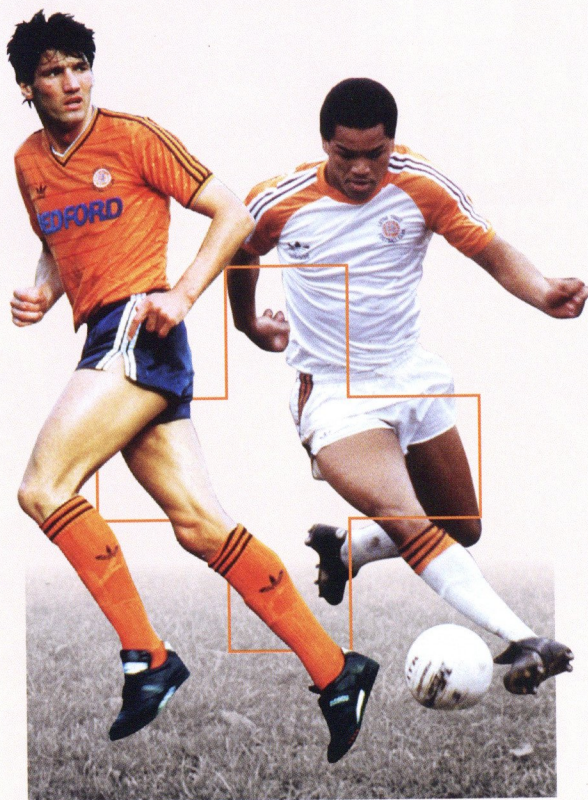




# DEADLY DUOS

Football historian LEIGH EDWARDS profiles five notable post-war Luton Town goalscoring partnerships

## MICK HARFORD



ENGLAND international striker Mick Harford played for Luton in two consecutive EFL Cup finals including their 1988 Wembley triumph. Signing professional for Lincoln City in July 1977, he had spells with Newcastle United, Bristol City and Birmingham City prior to joining Luton in December 1984. He starred as the Hatters were FA Cup semi-finalists in 1984-85 and 1987-88, moving to Derby County in January 1990 and returning to Luton in September 1991. Joining Chelsea in August 1992, he then played for Sunderland, Coventry City and Wimbledon. He has since been coach and manager back at Luton.

ENGLAND international striker Brian Stein scored twice in Luton's 1988 EFL Cup final triumph. Moving to Kenilworth Road from Edgware Town in October 1977, he was leading marksman in Luton's 1981-82 Second Division success and also starred as they were FA Cup semi-finalists in 1984-85 and 1987-88. He joined Caen in July 1988 and moved via Annecy back to Luton in July 1991. Voted their Player of the Year for the second time in 1991-92, he netted 130 goals in 427 league games overall before joining Barnet in August 1992, helping win promotion in 1992-93. His brother Mark also played for Luton.

## BRIAN STEIN

**GORDON TURNER & ALLAN BROWN**  
LONG-SERVING inside-forward Gordon Turner holds Luton Town's all-time goalscoring record. Signing professional at Kenilworth Road in March 1950, he featured in Luton's 1951-52 FA Cup run and 1952-53 promotion near-miss. He was leading marksman seven times, including 1954-55 when ever-present as they won promotion to the top-flight, also representing the Football League. Netting 243 goals in 406 league outings for the Hatters, he briefly reunited with Jesse Pye at Wisbech Town in July 1964, then played for Kettering Town, Dunstable and Bletchley. He lived and worked locally until his death in December 1976.

**EX-SCOTLAND**  
international Allan Brown was a player and manager at Luton. He was a Scottish Cup finalist with East Fife shortly before joining Blackpool in December 1950, moving to Luton in February 1957. Appearing in the 1959 FA Cup final, he netted 51 goals in 151 league games, joining Portsmouth in March 1961. He helped win the Third Division title in 1961-62, then was Wigan's player-boss and Luton's manager from November 1966 until December 1968, plotting their 1967-68 Fourth Division title triumph. Later managing Torquay, Bury, Nottingham Forest, Southport and Blackpool, he died in April 2011.

**MALCOLM MACDONALD & DON GIVENS**  
ACE marksman Malcolm Macdonald was capped 14 times by England after leaving Luton. Initially with Tonbridge, he joined Fulham in August 1968 and moved to Kenilworth Road in July 1969. He

was Luton's top scorer in two consecutive seasons including their 1969-70 promotion success and netted 49 goals in 88 league games before being sold to Newcastle United for £180,000 in May 1971. An FA Cup finalist in 1974, he joined Arsenal for £330,000 in August 1976 and was an FA Cup finalist again in 1978 before injury ended his career. He managed Fulham and Huddersfield Town and now works in the media.

**REPUBLIC of Ireland**  
international striker Don Givens was ever-present for Luton in 1971-72. Starting with Manchester United, he joined Luton in April 1970 and formed a lethal partnership with Malcolm Macdonald, netting 19 goals in 83 league outings before joining QPR in July 1972. He starred as they won promotion in 1972-73, then were League Championship runners-up in 1975-76. Joining Birmingham City in August 1978, he later appeared for Sheffield United, then was player and coach with leading Swiss side Neuchâtel Xamax. He had a spell as Arsenal's youth coach before managing Republic of Ireland U-21's.

**DAVID MOSS & BOB HATTON**  
WINGER David Moss was Luton's top scorer in two consecutive seasons. Initially with hometown Witney, he joined Swindon Town in July 1969 and was twice leading marksman before moving to Luton for £110,000 in May 1978. He featured prominently in their 1981-82 Second Division title triumph and was an FA Cup semi-finalist in 1984-85, netting 88 goals in 221 league games for the Hatters prior to rejoining Swindon in July 1985. Later with Trowbridge

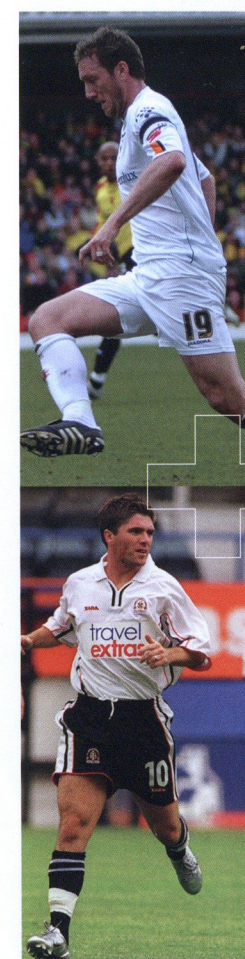
Town, he coached under Brian Horton at Oxford United, Manchester City and Huddersfield Town. He has since been chief scout of Liverpool's Academy.

**MUCH-TRAVELLED**  
striker Bob Hatton missed just one match for Luton in two consecutive seasons. Initially with Wolves, he had spells at Bolton Wanderers and Northampton prior to joining Carlisle United in July 1969. He starred as they were EFL Cup semi-finalists in 1969-70, then joined Birmingham City in October 1971 and helped to clinch top-flight status that season. Moving to Blackpool in July 1976, he was leading marksman in 1977-78 and joined Luton in July 1978. He netted 29 goals in 82 league games before joining Sheffield United in July 1980, then Cardiff City, becoming director of sales for the PFA.

**STEVE HOWARD & TONY THORPE**  
STRIKER Steve Howard topped Luton's goalscoring charts in five successive seasons. Initially with Tow Law, he joined Hartlepool United in August 1995 and moved to Northampton Town for £120,000 in February 1999. He starred in their 1999-2000 promotion campaign, joining Luton for £50,000 in March 2001. A key figure as the Hatters won promotion behind Argyle in 2001-02 and League One title in 2004-05, he scored 95 goals in 212 league outings before sold to Derby County for £1m in July 2006. He helped win promotion in 2006-07 and joined Leicester for £1.5m in January 2008, then returned to Hartlepool.

STRIKER Tony Thorpe was leading marksman as Luton qualified for the

Second Division play-offs in 1996-97. A former Leicester City trainee, he reunited with David Pleat at Luton in August 1992 and was also top scorer in 1997-98. He joined Fulham for £800,000 in February 1998 and helped them reach the play-offs that season. Sold to Bristol City for £1m in June 1998, he was top scorer three times prior to rejoining Luton in July 2002 after two loan spells. He netted 70 goals in 164 league games overall before moving to QPR in August 2003, then Swindon, Colchester, Stevenage, Grimsby and Tamworth.





# 72 CLUBS, 3 DIVISIONS, 2 CUPS ONE COMMUNITY

EFL Clubs are in the heart of communities up and down the country. Using the power of the badge, clubs help tackle some of society's biggest issues, from helping people in poverty to combating loneliness.

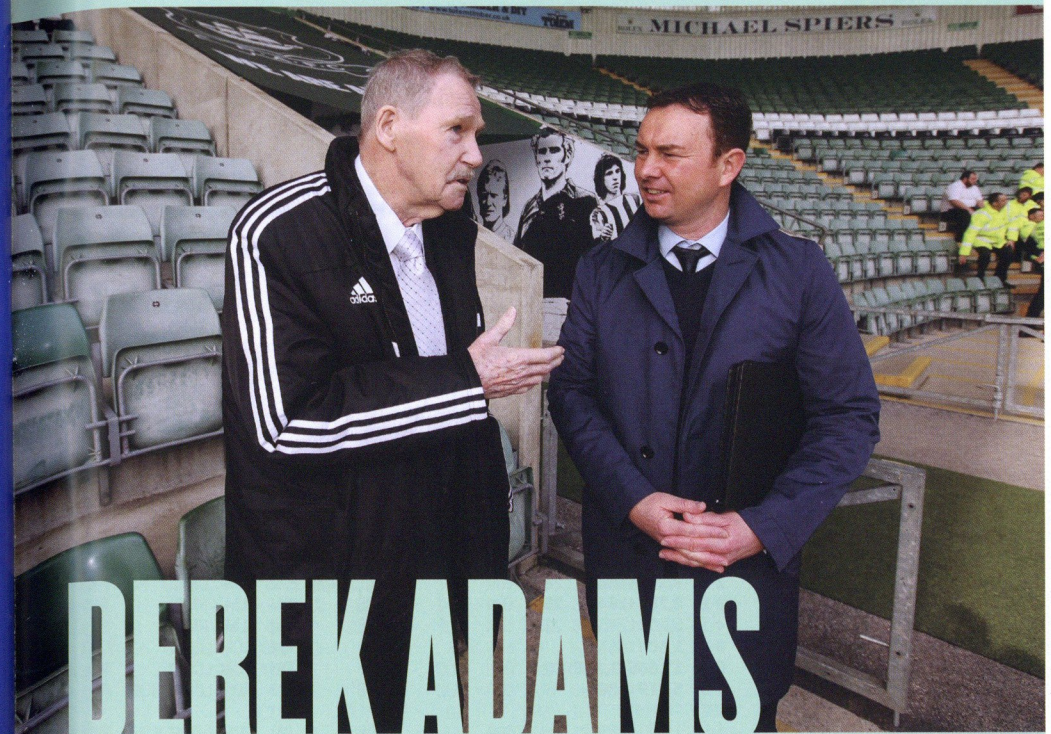
On Tuesday 19 March, all 72 EFL Clubs will join together for the EFL's Day of Action to showcase the impact of the crucial work they undertake in communities up and down the country. EFL managers and players will be attending events across the country to meet people whose lives have been positively changed through the work of the club in the community.



## EFL DAY OF ACTION



#EFLDayofAction



**L**AST weekend's trip to Sunderland always going to be a difficult afternoon for us. We knew that we would have to play at our best to get anything at a ground where no visiting League One side has won this season, and we did not play anything like our best in the first half.

Collectively, we did not do well enough – our ball-retention was poor; we did not press enough; it looked like we were a wee bit scared, to be perfectly honest. Not all our players are used to playing in front of 30,000-plus people and that is not an easy thing to overcome.

We did overcome it, though, and we were a lot better in the second half. We kept possession of the ball better and our

passing was better. We played on the front foot and took a few risks and, because of that, we created some good opportunities.

We tried to get our creative players on the ball at the same time as stopping Sunderland's creative players from playing. Sunderland had only seven shots on target in the whole game, which shows how effective we were in limiting them on a pitch where they can often be very dominant.

We probably should have had a penalty when Gary Sawyer's shot was handled. The shot was certainly going in and there was a strong claim from our players.

We welcome Mick Harford and his staff and players, as well as the officials and supporters

of Luton, to Home Park this afternoon, when there will again be a tremendous match-day atmosphere.

Despite last weekend's defeat, with 11 games to go now, we have got ourselves into a good position – a far better position than when we played Luton earlier in the season – and we want to keep on moving up the league.

We are still one of the form sides in the division and I think that is testimony to the players and how well they have responded.

There are a number of strong sides in the division and Luton are one of them, but it is important that we look at how well we have played recently.

In our last home game,

we scored five goals and created a number of opportunities to have got even more. We have players who are confident that they can score goals and create chances and we will need them today and for the rest of the season.

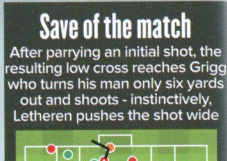
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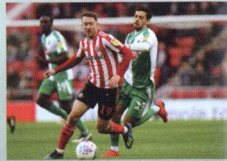
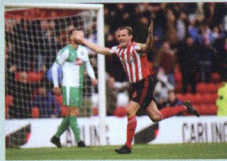








**Save of the match**  
After parrying an initial shot, the resulting low cross reaches Grigg who turns his man only six yards out and shoots - instinctively, Letheren pushes the shot wide



# Sunderland Argyle

**2** Cattermole 32  
Honeyman 87  
**0**

## Sunderland (4-2-3-1)

1 Jon McLaughlin  
13 Luke O'Nien  
12 Tom Flanagan  
30 Jimmy Dunne  
16 Reece James  
23 Grant Leadbitter  
6 Lee Cattermole  
17 Lewis Morgan  
(14 Duncan Watmore 66)  
10 George Honeyman (capt)  
19 Aiden McGeady  
(11 Lynden Gooch 90)  
22 Will Grigg  
(9 Charlie Wyke 90)

**Substitutes (not used):** 2 Adam Matthews, 5 Alim Ozturk, 25 Robbin Ruiter (gk), 27 Max Power

**Booked:** Dunne 50

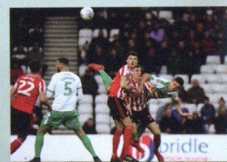
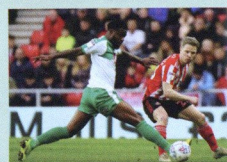
## Argyle (4-2-3-1)

21 Kyle Letheren  
(1 Matt Macey 80)  
23 Ashley Smith-Brown  
5 Ryan Edwards  
14 Niall Canavan  
3 Gary Sawyer (capt)  
8 David Fox  
4 Yann Songo'o  
26 Oscar Threlkeld  
(9 Ryan Taylor 70)  
11 Ruben Lameiras  
(13 Paul Anderson 80)  
10 Graham Carey  
19 Freddie Ladapo

**Substitutes (not used):** 2 Joe Riley, 6 Jamie Ness, 20 Lloyd Jones, 25 Scott Wootton

**Booked:** Canavan 90

**Referee:** Graham Salisbury  
**Attendance:** 32,360 (1,726)  
**Man of the Match:** Kyle Letheren



**0**  
Kick-Off

**26**  
Save: Kyle Letheren from Jimmy Dunne

**32**  
Goal: Lee Cattermole, assisted by Lewis Morgan. Sunderland 1 Argyle 0

**45**  
Save: Kyle Letheren from Aiden McGeady

**45+3**  
Save: Kyle Letheren from Aiden McGeady

**45+3**  
Save: Kyle Letheren from Will Grigg

**45+4**  
Half-Time: Sunderland 1 Argyle 0

**50**  
Yellow Card: Jimmy Dunne, for a foul

**66**  
Save: Jon McLaughlin from David Fox

**70**  
Substitution: Ryan Taylor replaces Oscar Threlkeld

**80**  
Substitution: Matt Macey replaces Kyle Letheren

**80**  
Substitution: Paul Anderson replaces Ruben Lameiras

**87**  
Goal: George Honeyman, assisted by Will Grigg. Sunderland 2 Argyle 0

**89**  
Save: Jon McLaughlin from David Fox

**90**  
Save: Jon McLaughlin from Ryan Taylor

**90+3**  
Yellow Card: Niall Canavan, for a foul

**90+4**  
Final Whistle

## LATEST SKYBET LEAGUE ONE TABLE

	P	GD	PTS
Luton	35	40	75
Barnsley	3	34	70
Sunderland	34	29	68
Portsmouth	35	23	65
Charlton	35	16	60
Doncaster	34	17	55
Peterborough	35	8	55
Blackpool	34	6	51
Coventry	35	0	50
Fleetwood	35	9	49
Burton	35	1	44
Wycombe	35	-8	43
Southend	35	-4	41
Argyle	35	-11	41
Accrington	34	-11	41
Scunthorpe	35	-18	41
Shrewsbury	35	-7	40
Gillingham	35	-12	40
Oxford	35	-10	39
Walsall	35	-18	39
Bristol Rovers	33	-6	34
Rochdale	35	-32	34
Bradford	35	-21	33
Wimbledon	35	-25	30



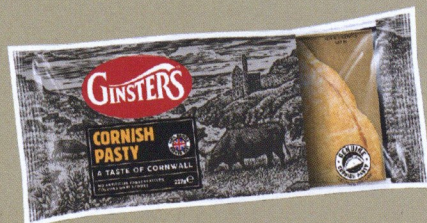


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## THE LAST FIVE ARGYLE GAMES PLAYED ON MARCH 9

2013 – Argyle 0-0 Bradford, League Two  
2010 – QPR 2-0 Argyle, Championship  
1999 – Argyle 0-0 Torquay, Division Three  
1996 – Cambridge 2-3 Argyle, Division Three  
1993 – Argyle 2-1 Blackpool, Division Two

## THE LAST FIVE SONNY BRADLEY GOALS IN GREEN

February 17, 2018: Oxford 0-1 Argyle – League One  
November 21, 2017: Argyle 2-0 Northampton – League One  
November 21, 2017: Argyle 1-0 Northampton – League One  
September 12, 2017: Argyle 1-3 Blackpool – League One  
March 26, 2017: Doncaster 0-1 Argyle – League Two

## THE LAST FIVE ARGYLE WINS AGAINST LUTON

October 24, 2015: Luton 1-2 Argyle – League Two  
September 6, 2014: Luton 0-1 Argyle – League Two  
April 14, 2007: Luton 1-2 Argyle – Championship  
November 28, 2006: Argyle 1-0 Luton – Championship  
September 13, 2003: Argyle 2-1 Luton – Division Two

## THE LAST FIVE TEAMS TO KNOCK REAL MADRID OUT OF THE CHAMPIONS' LEAGUE

2018-19: Round of 16 – Ajax (3-5 Agg)  
2014-15: Semi-finals – Juventus (2-3 Agg)  
2012-13: Semi-finals – Borussia Dortmund (3-4 Agg)  
2011-12: Semi-finals – Bayern Munich (3-3 Agg, Bayern win on pens)  
2010-11: Semi-finals – Barcelona (1-3 Agg)

## THE LAST FIVE TENNIS TITLES WON BY ROGER FEDERER

March, 2019: Dubai Duty Free Championships (100th career title)  
October, 2018: Swiss Indoor Championships, Basel (99th career title)  
June, 2018: Stuttgart Open, Germany (98th career title)  
February, 2018: Rotterdam Open, Netherlands (97th career title)  
January, 2018: Australian Open (96th career title)

## THE LAST FIVE BRITISH WINNERS OF THE BEST ACTRESS OSCAR

2019: Olivia Colman – *The Favourite*  
2008: Kate Winslet – *The Reader*  
2006: Helen Mirren – *The Queen*  
1992: Emma Thompson – *Howards End*  
1989: Jessica Tandy – *Driving Miss Daisy*





# ARGYLE

- 1 Matt MACEY (GK)
- 2 Joe RILEY
- 3 Gary SAWYER
- 4 Yann SONG'O'O
- 5 Ryan EDWARDS
- 6 Jamie NESS
- 7 Antoni SARCEVIC
- 8 David FOX
- 9 Ryan TAYLOR
- 10 Graham CAREY
- 11 Ruben LAMEIRAS
- 12 The GREEN ARMY
- 13 Paul ANDERSON
- 14 Niall CANAVAN
- 15 Conor GRANT
- 16 Joel GRANT
- 17 Lionel AINSWORTH
- 18 Calum DYSON
- 19 Freddie LADAPO
- 20 Lloyd JONES
- 21 Kyle LETHEREN (GK)
- 22 Tafari MOORE
- 23 Ashley SMITH-BROWN
- 25 Scott WOOTTON
- 26 Oscar THRELKELD
- 29 Alex FLETCHER
- 31 Michael COOPER (GK)
- 35 Luke JEPHCOTT

# 1

PENALTY AWARDED  
ALL SEASON  
V SOUTHEND

# 4

ACADEMY  
GRADUATES IN THE  
SQUAD (COOPER,  
FLETCHER,  
JEPHCOTT AND  
SAWYER)

# 50

GOALS IN ALL  
COMPETITIONS THIS  
SEASON

## OFFICIALS

Referee - Darren Drysdale

**HANDED JAMIE NESS HIS ONE  
AND ONLY CAREER RED CARD IN  
ARGYLE'S 1-0 DEFEAT AT COVENTRY  
EARLIER IN THE SEASON**

Assistant Referees -

Kevin Howick, Marvyn Amphlett

Fourth Official - Daniel Lampert



## BADGE BREAKDOWN

The badge comes from  
the borough's coat of  
arms and features  
emblems of the local  
strawplaiting industry

with the hat, hive,  
bee and wheat/sheaf  
emblems.

The thistle is reference  
to the scottish

influence in bringing  
strawplaiting to the  
town. The white rose  
comes from the patron  
of the strawplaiters.



## LAST 5 WWW DW

# HATTERS

- 1 Marek STECH (GK)
- 2 James JUSTIN
- 3 Daniel POTTS
- 4 Alan McCORMACK
- 5 Sonny BRADLEY
- 6 Matty PEARSON
- 7 Jack STACEY
- 8 Luke BERRY
- 9 Danny HYLTON
- 10 Elliot LEE
- 11 Andrew SHINNIE
- 12 Alex Baptiste
- 14 Harry CORNICK
- 16 Glen REA
- 17 Pelly RUDDOCK MPANZU
- 19 James COLLINS
- 20 George MONCUR
- 23 Jason CUMMINGS
- 24 George THORNE
- 25 Kazenga LUA LUA
- 36 James SHEA (GK)
- 40 Harry ISTD (GK)
- 44 Alan SHEEHAN
- 48 Josh NEUFVILLE

# 6

ASSISTS BY JAMES  
JUSTIN IN LEAGUE ONE  
MATCHES

# 5

NATIONALITIES IN  
THE SQUAD



61.5%



23.1%



7.7%



3.8%



3.8%

# 22

SKY BET LEAGUE ONE  
GAMES UNBEATEN