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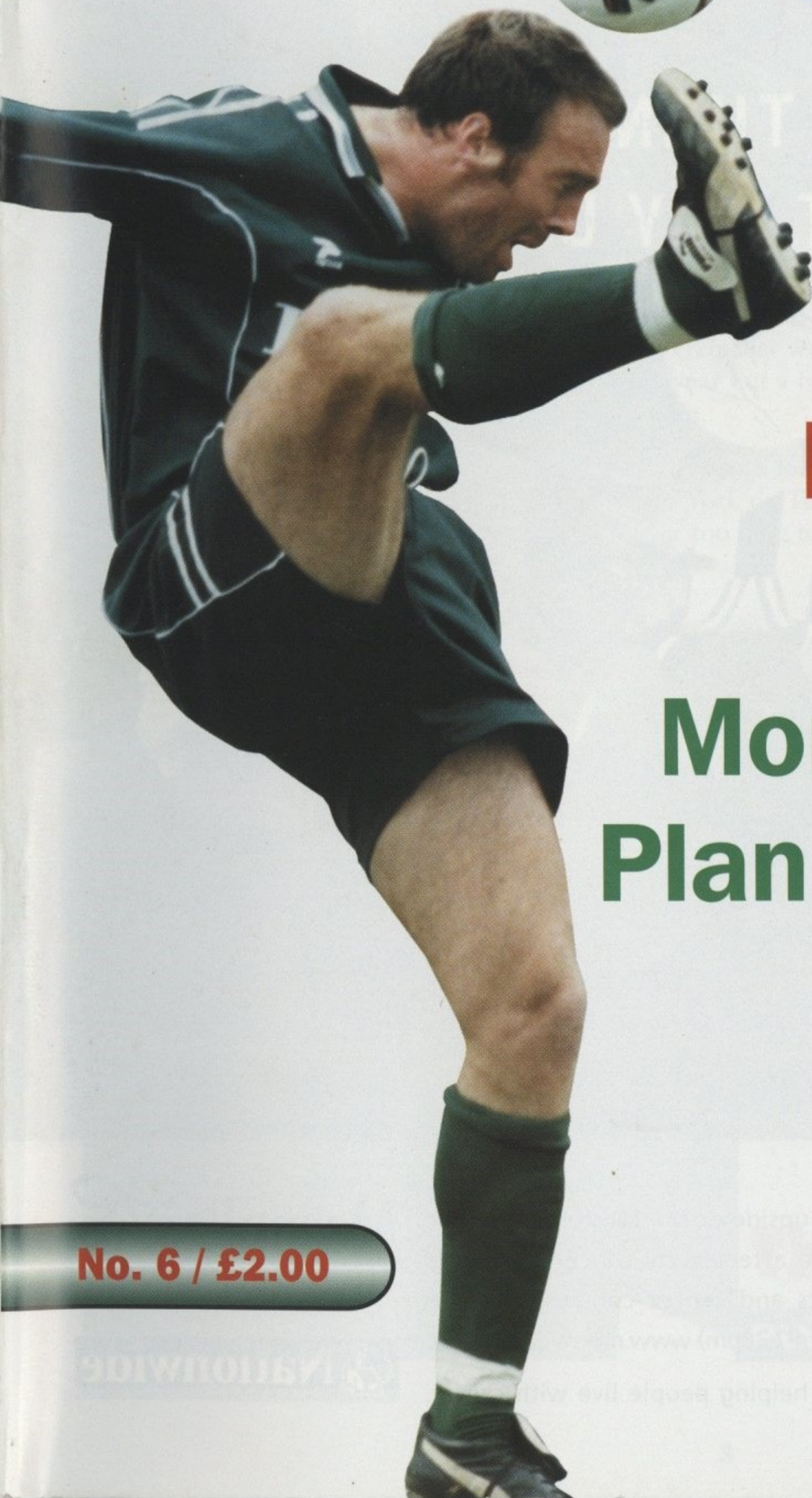
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Sturrock's Statement



Today should be an exciting match. Luton are shaping up to be one of the best teams in this Division and have displayed their pedigree this week by claiming top spot by beating Leyton Orient on Tuesday.

Luton will give us our stiffest test so far this season. We have already lost twice at home this season to teams that went on to display their credentials by subsequently going to the top of the table. Now we face a team that are already there, and I am sure Luton will be there or thereabouts in April. Hence I will be pleased to see

how far we have come this season, there has been a lot of confidence with our recent run but today should reveal a few things about our team, good and bad.

We could get carried away with our recent unbeaten run, although I am delighted to see the progress we have made, the team is far from the finished product. I have stated on several occasions that I wish to build a team that will not just get us out of this Division but also a squad that will be good enough to compete at the higher level. This is important as often teams will come straight back down. We need to remember we have a five-year not a five-week plan.

It was a long trip to York on Tuesday, too long to travel in

midweek but we are always suffering from the vagaries of the fixture computer, at least it wasn't the depth of winter. I hope we do not feel the effects today.

I was pleased to come away from York with a point, we certainly did well in the first half as far as possession was concerned but in the second period when York pressed us further we actually had five strikes on goal. Again the away support was superb and it would be good to see a bit of that support at Home Park today.

It is also good to see the ground taking shape - we begin to get an idea of what the finished product will feel like. I just hope the concrete terracing awaiting the seats will rebound some of the sound back into the ground. It has been difficult for the players to lift their game at home because all the noise made by the fans disappears out over Central Park.

I would like to welcome the team, officials and fans of Luton Town to Home Park.

Paul Sturrock



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Today's game could be described as the big one, for Argyle and probably Luton.

Luton have just clinched top spot and with Argyle also on a seven match unbeaten run the game could not be better poised with Argyle only three points behind The Hatters.

Luton certainly are setting themselves up to be the team to catch and today I am sure we will see an exciting game, with two teams looking to play football. There will be some interesting individual battles and displays today and I am sure you are looking forward to the clash.

Luton are a club that in relatively recent years have tasted success at the right end of the table. They will be looking to re-establish themselves as a force within the Football League, but they will also know it is never that easy.

Argyle also seems to be a club on the up but it will also be a difficult struggle to gain headway. All these other clubs that are aiming for the same things, inconsiderate lot, cause the difficulties, it's our turn for a bit of success!

Santana Plays On

I reported in the last Argyle Review how Santana's Supernatural album has become a "tradition" this season for a few of us to listen to before matches.

Since the away game at Rushden we have listened to the album

before each game, either in the car on away trips or over the PA at Home Park. Since that chance selection of a CD before the Rushden game Argyle started an unbeaten run, hence it has stuck and spread.

On Monday morning urgent requests came from "The Management" to make sure a copy could be played on the team bus. Copies were obtained and the CD was played on the way to York, much to the consternation of Chief Executive David Tall who decided a trip with the team would be a treat.

We also provided a copy for the fans coach but most of them apparently did not realise the significance of the music, with some complaining it was too loud! I know several others were primed and had planned to listen to the Latin guitarist on the day of the match. A phone call to York City by Commercial manager Andy Budge also secured a dedication and playing of some Santana over their PA before the match.

With all the bases covered Argyle were hoping for the same result at Bootham Crescent on Tuesday. A 0-0 draw could be claimed as a success; maybe the fans coach should have played it for longer and a bit louder!

If anyone wanted to oust Semper Fidelis as a theme tune now is the time. I know many would throw their arms up in horror but I wonder if Semper Fidelis is right for the 21st century and the new Home Park? (I am now going to get a very full post bag!)

MC Junior Green



Here is a picture of the youngest Junior Greens member we know about.

This is Matthew John Clatworthy who was born on the 18th August. In this shot he is only three days old and it was on this momentous day for the youngster that his father, Clive, enrolled him as a Junior Green.

Matthew popped into Home Park this week with his dad and mum Debbie. He is a little older now, over a month old! But still looked smart in his Argyle bobble hat. The family come from Honicknowle in Plymouth.

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"Has Any Work Started At Home Park Yet?"

This is a question I have been asked on numerous occasions.

The people asking haven't been friends, relatives or Argyle fans living miles from Plymouth, the query has been set by people living in the City!

One man recently asked the above question and when I suggested that they had made a start he ventured further:

"Have they taken out those green seats?" Meaning the Lyndhurst seats.

Bearing in mind that the Lyndhurst side had been flattened, and had been for a couple of weeks. I mildly answered:

"Yes they have got those out. You should check out the web cam and have a look." I suggested.

He seemed satisfied with the reply.

I am surprised there haven't been more accidents on Outland Road as drivers glance over to Home Park, see it has gone or now been transformed and in their surprise pile into the back of braking vehicles.

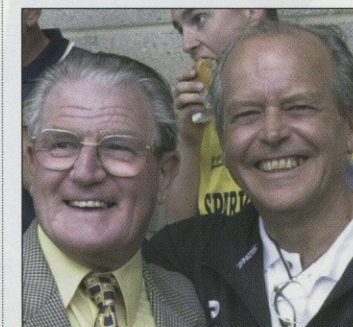
Alain Marks (1970-2001)

Matt Jones contacted Home Park regarding his friend Alain Marks who tragically died recently. Matt sent the following information.

Alain Marks died on the 19th August this year. Alain was a fanatical Argyle fan who would often be seen on the London Underground proudly wearing his Green shirt. Alain would travel the length of the country to follow The Greens.

Alain was brought up in Winchester where he was living up until his premature death. After finishing University Alain joined the NHS Graduate Training Scheme, qualifying as a Chartered Accountant. Alain worked as a Finance Manager for an NHS Trust in Winchester.

Old Friends Meet Up



At the Devon derby against Torquay at the beginning of September a few old friends met up. Club photographer Dave Rowntree snapped a quick shot of former Argyle Physio Malcolm Musgrove and Argyle Kit Manager Ian "Jacko" Pearce.

Where Are They?

I was hoping for a bumper crowd last Saturday. We were on an unbeaten run of form and had just beaten the old enemy



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Exeter City; everything was primed for a good game but the fans never turned up!

Argyle are going very well, the ground was taking shape, we have a new board, the Five Year Plan has been announced, Jason Bent had just signed and the whole place appears to be moving forward. It just seems a case of waiting for many fans to catch on to what is happening here. It is just a relief that we have a core of very faithful fans.

The Macclesfield gate may have also suffered because of the number that travelled to Exeter on the previous Tuesday and today's match coming just one-week later. People are rightly careful with their money, choosing which games to watch when they come thick and fast

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Good Afternoon

Welcome back, as always, to Home Park to our regulars, and a warm welcome to those of you visiting for the first time or indeed for a long time.

The issue of low attendances raises a concern to us all. I do appreciate that many people have found it difficult to adjust to their new surroundings after many years supporting us from the Devonport End, Spion Kop or Lyndhurst Stands. You can see for yourself that it won't be long before you can return to your favourite area. For those of you who have always supported from the Grandstand or Mayflower Stand please make all our "displaced" fans welcome but more importantly of all we must all get behind Paul, Kevin and the team as they continue to make progress on the pitch.

Whilst on the issue of support/supporters I would like to pay particular attention to our away fans. They were just simply magnificent as they proved once again by undertaking the monstrous trip

to York and back on Tuesday. Everybody at the club, particularly the players, are sincerely grateful to you.

Although far from perfect our official web site (www.pafc.co.uk) has seen further improvements this week. The "message boards" are now very much faster to access in their operation. Other areas of the site have also improved and similarly significant improvements continue to be made each week. That said where you find it isn't working satisfactorily then the club needs to know so please e-mail us at argyle@pafc.co.uk.

This week our thanks go to Sandra, Angela and Eileen who work so very hard to keep the club spotlessly clean.

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Five-Year Plan - The Response Continues

There has been a continuing flow of responses from supporters to the five-year plan, reproduced in full on the opposite page, published last month by Argyle's board of directors, with a view to explaining the club's objectives and business strategies. After the consultation period has expired next month the club will publish a statistical analysis of the replies, but in the meantime here is a further selection of the responses received to date...

Keith Whitfield begins a lengthy and wide-ranging response by saying: "I welcome the strategy document and particularly the request for supporters to respond to it."

One of several issues he raises concerns youth development.

"Substantial changes must be made if the club's youth schemes are going to deliver a steady supply of high quality players into the first team squad," he suggests.

"I believe that the club itself needs to become more involved at under-16 level and work alongside Argyle's Youth Development Trust to develop a much more comprehensive feeder system. The big clubs are signing up potential talent at ever-younger ages. They can offer facilities about which Argyle can currently only dream. This is mainly because our system is funded in large part from the generous donations of our loyal fans. All sorts of ingenious ways have been found to raise the income flow, but there are severe limits on what is possible."

Whitfield also turns his attention to the issue of supporter involvement in decision-making. He writes: "I believe that there is an urgent need for the club and its supporters to communicate more fully and for the supporters to have an established role in club decision-making. With this in mind, I believe that the club should state that there will be a permanent place on the board for a supporters' representative and that it will help develop

communication channels whereby supporters can make constructive input into key decision-making processes, such as the design of the new stadium, the nature of the club kit and the development of the club's commercial activities."

Peter Colbourne writes: "I welcome all of your objectives - especially the way that you are looking at Argyle as a business in a competitive environment." But he adds: "My area of concern is not directly mentioned. The lack of a good-quality professional reserve league is a big hindrance to the footballing education of Argyle's youngsters. Young players learn much quicker when playing with and against senior professionals on a regular basis."

Colbourne goes on to criticise the Football Combination for refusing to re-admit Argyle and to suggest a legal challenge aimed at securing re-entry to England's southern-based reserve league. "Like any other club/business, Argyle deserve a level playing-field to compete against our competitors," he concludes.

Dudley Tolkien has another area of concern. He writes: "I am very supportive of the club having a five-year plan, so that everyone connected with the club is clear about the club's main objectives. However, there is no mention of the state of the pitch, and I suggest the plan includes a commitment to turn the pitch into a top-quality playing surface, and to maintain it at that level."

Although some temporary measures have been taken, Tolkien adds, "I believe it is accepted that long-term improvements still need to be made. With a manager committed to playing a quality passing game, so much good work and investment in other areas can be undone if home results are compromised by deficiencies in the pitch."

To conclude on what some might regard as a lighter note, Andy Soper-Hall writes: "I would ask, implore, even beg that under no circumstances should "Semper Fidelis" be replaced as the music accompanying the "entry of the

gladiators" (or Santana - see Sidelines Ed). It was tried before with Tina Turner and "Simply The Best". It was abysmal! Argyle should always enter the field to "Semper Fidelis" and wearing green shirts. Some things should never change!"

It is not too late to have your say or though time is fast running out. Write to David Tall, Chief Executive, Plymouth Argyle FC, Home Park, Plymouth PL2 3DQ. E-mail: argyle@pafc.co.uk

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Draft Strategic Plan for Discussion

The new board of Plymouth Argyle assumed formal control last month, August 2001.

The directors feel that it is important to define a clear set of objectives for the club, together with a set of strategies to be deployed in the pursuit of those goals, over a set time period.

This brief paper sets out our initial thinking, and covers the period September 2001 to May 2006.

Before we set the plan in stone, we would appreciate comments from anyone with an interest in the club, and a point of view they would like to put forward. We are aiming to finalise the document in early October. Any feedback, therefore, should be submitted by the end of this month.

Start-Point

The lower half of the Third Division is not a good place to be - especially for a club such as Plymouth Argyle. Our view is that we need to build the foundations for long-term success. That will take time, and patience.

We do not apologise for adopting an approach that some may interpret as cautious. Indeed, we refuse to over-promise. Our aspirations are high; the objectives we set ourselves must be achievable, and therefore realistic.

And there are already some real positives. The long-awaited stadium redevelopment is now underway, a new Chief Executive is in place, and the football side of the equation is beginning to show real promise again.

Furthermore, Plymouth Argyle continues to enjoy enormous latent goodwill, as evidenced by the support at the '96 Play-off final, and the '98 Derby cup game. That goodwill is there to be activated.

Objectives

Our aim is to establish Plymouth Argyle as the West Country's pre-eminent football club. The undisputed leader in football terms, and a strong differentiated, customer-focused brand in its own right.

In football terms, our medium-term aspiration is to reach the first division, and consolidate our position there.

Over the coming five seasons, however, we believe it is prudent to set our sights firmly on promotion to Division Two, and then the establishment of PAFC as a leading side in that league, strongly positioned to challenge for the next step up. That, in and of itself, represents a major task.

Strategies

1. We will look to build a unified team at Plymouth Argyle. One that recognises that each and every member of the staff has a role to play, whether they are working in the club shop, coaching the young players, sitting on the board, manning the catering facilities, or playing on a Saturday afternoon. Successful clubs are characterised by everyone on the payroll working together as an extended integrated team. Plymouth Argyle will be no different.
2. We will do all we can to increase income (whilst maintaining a commitment to providing good value). Better product on the pitch, improved marketing, greater customer focus. In turn, we are committed to investing as high a proportion as possible of our revenues in the playing squad. Our policy will be one of constant improvement.
3. We will work hard to open lines of communications for the fans, who are and always will be the lifeblood of the club. We will seek ways of increasing the supporters' formal opportunities for active participation. Including, ultimately, a share issue (see point six below).
4. We will also increase accessibility to the club -

particularly through enhanced leisure facilities at the stadium, and more initiatives such as an improved Junior Greens, and more one-off events.

5. We firmly believe that we now have the right manager in Paul Sturrock, and we will give him as much support, and that most precious commodity of all - time - as he needs to bring success on the field. (Indeed, to make this a concrete reality rather than a mere aspiration, we are pleased to announce that we have offered Paul Sturrock an extension to his contract, to last the entirety of the five-year period under discussion, and that he has accepted our offer in principle).

6. We will continue the stadium redevelopment programme.

7. We will, wherever possible, look to enter into strategic alliances with businesses located in our catchment area, and we will have a preferred supplier policy built on seeking to source products and services locally.

8. We recognise our responsibilities to the community in which we live, and which we represent. We will do all we can to support relevant local initiatives and charities.

9. We will expand our commitment to nurturing young players, with a particular focus on providing opportunities to promising young footballers throughout Devon and Cornwall.

10. We will work with the media in as transparent and co-operative way as possible. We believe that there is much mutual benefit to be derived from a spirit of maximum accessibility and co-operation.

Next Steps

Once we have received all the feedback, we will refine this five-year plan. It will then be launched formally to the entire team at Home Park, prior to external publication.

To supply your input please address your thoughts and ideas in writing by the end of September to Chief Executive David Tall, Home Park, Plymouth, PL2 3DQ or e-mail David Tall on argyle@pafc.co.uk

Game Action vs Macclesfield



David Friio scores Argyle's second



Ian Stonebridge sets to control the ball.



Jason Bent about to make his debut for Argyle

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Plymouth Argyle 2
(Hodges 45, Friio 65)

Macclesfield 0

Attendance: 4,227

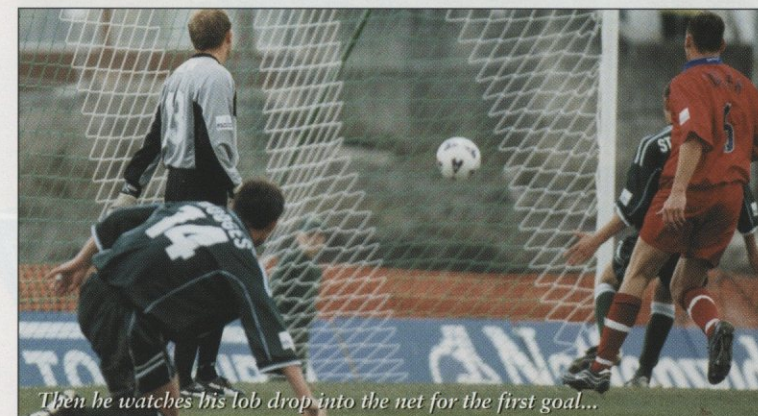
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Argyle: Larrieu, Worrell, Wotton, Coughlan, McGlinchey, Phillips, Adams, Friio, Hodges, Evans (Bent 80), Stonebridge.

Macclesfield: Wilson, Hitchin (O'Neil 65), Tinson, Ridler, Abbey, Keen, Munroe (Byrne 73), Priest Tracey, Lightbourne (Askey 73), Glover
Yellow Cards: Karl Munroe, Chris Priest, Richard Tracey



Lee Hodges sees his opportunity...



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1890

Nickname:
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First League Game:
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1-1 Div 2

Most League Goals:
103 Division 3 (s) 1936-37

Highest Scorer in season:
55 Joe Payne Division 3 (s)
1936-37

Most League Goals:
243 Gordon Turner 1949-64

Most Capped Player:
Mal Donaghy 58 (91)
Northern Ireland

Most League Appearances:
494 Bob Morton 1948-1964

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Record Receipts:
£115,541.20 v West Ham, FA
Cup 6th rd 1994

Luton come to Home Park today riding on the crest of a wave. After a few season of frustration and scraping Division Two survival they will now feel that rebuilding after relegation is on the cards.

On Tuesday they went to the top of the table and are already proving a formidable team. Manager Joe Kinnear certainly has the experience that the Hatters need to produce success for the club.

The team today will be chosen from:

Emmerson Boyee.

Born Aylesbury, 24.9.79 One of the many to come through from Luton's schools and youth development programme, the defender was signed as a YTS boy in the summer of 1995, and made the breakthrough to the League squad at the age of 19 midway through the 1999/2000 season after occasional appearances following a debut in the Auto Windscreens Shield in January 1999. A commanding defensive figure, he was a regular last season, and junior members of Luton Town Supporters Club voted him their player of the year. Luton record to the start of this season: 86 apprentices, 4 goals.

Dean Brennan.

Born 17.6.80, Dublin Previous Luton boss Ricky Hill had worked as a youth coach at Sheffield Wednesday before rejoining Luton for a brief and unsuccessful spell as manager in the summer of 2000, and one of his first actions was to go back to Hillsborough for a midfielder he admired. But Brennan found it difficult to adjust to Second Division football, and is still trying to establish himself. Luton record to the start of this season: 11 appearances.

Stuart Douglas.

Born Enfield, 9.4.78 A striker with excellent pace, Douglas was a 17-year-old trainee when he scored on his league debut for Luton against Oldham in 1995, but a series of injuries delayed his progress before he won a regular place in Luton's league side in

the 1998/99 season. He has flourished both as maker and taker of goals, and Luton will always wonder if relegation might have been avoided last season if Douglas had not suffered more injury problems, which restricted him to only 15 full league appearances. Luton record to the start of this season: 162 appearances, 23 goals.

Richard Dryden.

Born Stroud, 14.6.69 Vastly experienced, the defender has played at all levels of professional football, and accepted his second Luton contract at the end of last season. He had been recruited on a free transfer from Southampton in February 2001. Bristol Rovers gave Dryden his start in football, as a trainee, but after a handful of games he was allowed to move on to Exeter for £10,000. Two years later they cashed in as he was sold to Notts County for £250,000, and further hefty fees were paid as Dryden moved on to Birmingham, Bristol City and Southampton. He also spent some time on loan at Stoke in the 1999-2000 season, during which he helped them win the Auto Windscreens Shield at Wembley. Luton record to the start of this season: 20 appearances.

Carl Emberson.

Born Epsom, 13.7.73 Wanting two players to compete for the first team goalkeeper's spot, Joe Kinnear moved swiftly in the summer of 2001 to persuade Emberson to choose Luton instead of Plymouth, who were also interested, when his contract at Walsall ended. His career began at Millwall as a trainee, but he made his name in a seven-year spell at Colchester before going to the Bescot Stadium in the summer of 1999. There he was in the squad, which won promotion to Division One, and Kinnear hopes he will enjoy similar success at Luton.

Adrian Forbes.

Born Ealing 23.1.79 After considerable First Division experience, and with an England youth cap to his credit, Forbes was a surprise inclusion on Norwich City's list of players available for transfer in the summer of 2001, and Luton boss Joe Kinnear was delighted to pay £75,000 for a right winger to add much-needed width to his attacking formation. Forbes is noted for his ability to run at and past defenders, either to deliver crosses from out wide, or to cut in and have a crack at goal. He had been at Carrow

Luton Team Info

Road for four years, starting as a trainee, before his move to Luton.

Andrew Fotiadis.

Born Hitchin, 6.9.77.

A local discovery, Fotiadis chose to stay at school to gain GCSE A-levels before being a full-time soccer professional. He won England Schools caps at under-15 and under-18 level, and developed a style to delight

Luton fans and worry opposing defences, as an old-fashioned centre forward with good physique, power, and concentrated determination.

Luton record to the start of this season: 112 appearances, 13 goals.

Stuart Fraser.

Born Edinburgh 9.1.80 Stylish defender and former skipper of the Luton youth team who was given his league debut against Carlisle, in a 3-2 win, on the final day of the 1997/98 season. Within a year he was established as a regular member of the Luton squad and the Scottish under-21 team, until he suffered a broken leg playing for Luton at Queens Park Rangers in January 2001. He missed the rest of the season, but made a good recovery and was back in business when Luton began pre-season training six months later. Luton record to the start of this season: 63 appearances, 1 goal.

Liam George.

Born Luton, 2.2.79

Quick and with tricky footwork; the striker came through the ranks after joining Luton as a schoolboy, and became a regular member of the Republic of Ireland squad that progressed to the European youth championships final in the summer of 1998. George had made his league debut in September 1997, but suffered a broken leg soon afterwards and was out of football for nearly a year. He returned in triumph, to become Luton's leading scorer in his first full season, 1999/2000, and also progressed to win Ireland under-21 honours.

Luton record to the start of this season: 118 appearances, 25 goals.

Carl Griffiths.

Born Welshpool, 15.7.71

An impressive scoring record - a goal in every 2.5 starts for seven previous clubs - led to Carl Griffiths becoming a major summer

target for Luton after relegation from the Second Division, and they got their man when they signed him from Leyton Orient for a fee reported to be £65,000. His earlier moves had totted up to well over £1 million, starting with a £500,000 transfer from Shrewsbury to Manchester City. Beginning as a trainee at Gay Meadow, Griffiths had set his benchmark by netting 61 goals in 130 starts for the Shrews. He has been knocking them in ever since, for Portsmouth, Peterborough, Leyton Orient, Wrexham, Port Vale and back to Orient for a second time.

Ian Hillier.

Born Neath, 26.12.79 (Loan)

No-one was more surprised than the Welsh under-21 international himself when he made his league debut for Luton in the second game of this season. The day before he was training with Spurs, where he was captain of the reserves, and waiting impatiently for the chance to break into the Premiership team. Luton boss Joe Kinnear had Hillier's name on a list of players to watch, and when a crop of injuries decimated his defence he approached Glenn Hoddle to try to buy the young right back. Hoddle was unwilling to sell, but pleased to help out his pal Kinnear and offer the player a taste of regular first team football by allowing him to join Luton on loan.

Peter Holmes.

Born Bishop Auckland, 18.11.80

This season is probably a make-or-break campaign for a midfielder who once seemed destined for soccer stardom. He is a product of the FA's School of Excellence, in the same year as Michael Owen. Sheffield Wednesday were his first club, but relegation from the Premiership in May 2000 left them desperate to cut the pay-roll and Luton signed the two-footed midfielder for a nominal fee a few months later. But in his first season at Kenilworth Road, he played in barely a third of their league and cup games. Luton record to the start of this season: 22 appearances, 1 goal.

Steve Howard.

Born Durham, 10.5.76

Joe Kinnear swooped on deadline day in March 2001 to prise the tall striker away from Northampton for a bargain fee of £50,000. The price was down to the Bosman effect - Howard had cost the

Cobblers a then record club fee of £120,000 when they recruited him from Hartlepool two years previously. At Sixfields his height and power as a target man, and a scoring rate of a goal every four games, helped Northampton to win promotion to Division Two. Luton had first-hand experience of his ability - he scored when Northampton achieved their first-ever league win at Kenilworth Road, 2-0 in September 2000. Six months later he accepted terms at Luton, with Northampton grudgingly accepting a third of their asking price for a player who would have left for nothing soon afterwards under the Bosman ruling. Luton record to the start of this season: 12 appearances, 3 goals.



Paul Hughes.

Born Hammersmith 19.4.76

A promising career that began at Chelsea was painfully and cruelly interrupted after the gifted midfielder earned the admiration of, among others, Glenn Hoddle, the former England boss. Hughes worked his way up at Stamford Bridge from trainee to Premiership, and Joe Kinnear was one of several managers who marked him out as an outstanding prospect. Hughes learned his trade under Hoddle's management, and gained experience on loan to Stockport, Norwich and Crewe. When Hoddle became manager of Southampton he moved swiftly to recruit Hughes, but a serious groin injury put the midfielder out of football for nine months. Southampton, by then under new management, made him available for transfer, and he joined Luton just before this

season kicked off - and marked his Luton debut with a goal at Carlisle a couple of days later.

Marvin Jobson.

Born Wembley, 29.10.68.

Longest-serving player at Kenilworth Road, Johnson is arguably the most popular member of the Kenilworth Road staff with his colleagues and with the fans. Always cheerful, even when recovering from injury setbacks, the defender is in his 14th season as a first-team regular at Luton, his only club, and skipper of the team he joined as a schoolboy. He is desperate to enjoy this season - a serious neck injury restricted him to only 11 games last year as Luton suffered relegation. He is the only member of the playing staff to have appeared in all four divisions for Luton - he made his debut at Goodison Park in 1988. Luton record to the start of this season: 417 appearances, 9 goals.

Adam Loeke.

Born 20.8.70, Croydon

Well-travelled in football terms, the midfielder joined Luton on a free transfer from Bristol City to add experience to a predominantly young squad in the summer of 1999. He began as a YTS boy with Crystal Palace, his local club, but could not get into the league team at Selhurst, and moved on to Southend, Colchester and Ashton Gate before joining Luton. Luton record to the start of the season: 72 appearances, 5 goals.

Lee Mansell.

Born Gloucester 23.9.82

An injury crisis at Kenilworth Road thrust the young midfielder into a dramatic debut in an FA Cup-tie. He had to make the transition straight from the youth squad to the first team in January 2001, and was an instant success. He was just 58 seconds into his debut against Queens Park Rangers, in a FA Cup third round replay, when he scored his first senior goal. Luton had looked after him since he was an 11-year-old, and signed him as a soccer scholar (previously the YTS scheme) as soon as he left school. His dramatic emergence at Loftus Road led to him becoming a regular in the side, and in the summer he was rewarded with a full professional contract. Luton record to the start of the season: 19 appearances, 6 goals.

Kevin Nicholls.

Born Newham, 2.1.79

The tough-tackling midfielder began his career as a trainee at Charlton and quickly made an impact after skipping England youth teams at under-18, under-19 and under-20 levels. At the time Joe Kinnear, now manager of Luton, was in charge of Wimbledon, and made a note of the young Nicholls, and just before this season started he was surprised - and well pleased - to hear that Nicholls was available for transfer. Charlton had sold him for £250,000 to Wigan in the summer of 1999, but the move did not work out, and Luton's offer of £150,000 led to him moving to Kenilworth Road.

Mark Owendale.

Born Leicester, 22.11.73 The arrival of a new board of directors at Kenilworth Road in the summer of 2000 enabled Luton to break a mould that had been set over the previous three years. Then, with continuing financial problems, including a spell in receivership, Luton had been great sellers of players, and very rarely buyers. That changed when Mike Watson-Challis became the chairman, and made cash available to secure goalkeeper Owendale from Bournemouth for £425,000. He was previously with Wisbech, Northampton and Barry Town. Luton record to the start of the season: 33 appearances.

Russ Perrett.

Born Barton on Sea, 18.5.73

Having helped Cardiff City win promotion to the Second Division in May, 2001, the big central defender was the victim of a huge recruitment drive at Ninian Park. Club owner Sam Hammam launched a spending spree, which included £600,000 for Spencer Prior, and Perrett knew his first team future at Cardiff might be limited. Luton boss Joe Kinnear had a long-standing friendship with Hammam, from the time when they were manager and owner at Wimbledon, and Hammam allowed Perrett to join Luton a few days before this season began. Strong in the air, and with a good first touch on the ground, Perrett began with non-league Lymington before being snapped up by neighbouring Portsmouth in 1995. He did well in the First Division, and moved to Cardiff four years later.

Aaron Skelton.

Born Welwyn, 22.11.74

It was a case of going "back home" when the defender, born a few miles from Luton, signed for the Hatters for the second time in July 2001. He had joined the club as a schoolboy, and worked his way up through the ranks to be on the fringe of the league team in 1993, when he was 19. A serious thigh muscle injury struck when he was poised for his senior debut, which was delayed for 12 months as a result. And no sooner had he made the breakthrough than an appalling run of bad luck struck, with back and knee ligament injuries sidelining him for most of the next three years. A change of club, on a free transfer to Colchester in the summer of 1997, brought a much-needed change of luck and Skelton rapidly became a big favourite at Layer Road. He was their player of the year when his contract expired in the summer of 2001, and although Colchester wanted him to sign a new deal, the invitation to move back to his first club, on a Bosman, was too good to turn down.

Matthew Spring.

Born Harlow, 17.11.79.

A competitive midfielder, Spring has been at Luton since he was a schoolboy, and was a driving force in the side which reached the FA Youth Cup semi-finals in 1997. After a league debut when still only 17, he soon became a regular in Luton's Second Division team, and as he came into this season he had never been dropped. His first 100 appearances were clocked up while he was only 20. Luton record to the start of this season: 170 appearances, 15 goals.

Matthew Taylor.

Born Oxford, 27.11.81

When Luton were in receivership in the summer of 1999, players had to be sold or given away to save money, while severe restrictions were imposed on new recruits. So once more Luton had to look at the young talent coming up through the ranks, and the wing-back, though still only 17, was thrust into the league team. With his pace and fierce shooting ability, he settled in immediately, and has developed into a top class player, a real crowd-pleaser, and a respected professional. At the end of his first season he was named young player of the year by the Luton management and coaching staff. Twelve months later, in May

Luton Team Info

2001, he swept the board in the player of the year votes - he picked up the prizes from votes by players, Luton Town Supporters Club, and internet fans. He also netted the goal of the season award. Luton record to the start of this season: 101 appearances, 6 goals.

Peter Thomson.

Born 30.6.77, Bury Rejected as a teenager by home-town club Bury, the striker drifted into non-league soccer with Chorley and then Lancaster before a £25,000 move to Dutch club NAC Breda. He got over a broken leg to score goals in the Dutch Premiership, and Luton brought him home for a £100,000 fee in September 2000, but he is still trying to make the breakthrough as a regular in the Hatters side. Luton record to the start of this season: 16 appearances, 2 goals.

Chris Coyne.

Born Brisbane, 20.12.78. The centre half was playing for Perth Soccer Club when he was selected for the 1994 Australian under-17 squad for the 1994 youth World Cup, and came to notice of Harry Redknapp, then manager of West Ham. An invitation to report to Upton Park for trials led to Coyne signing for the Hammers as a teenager.

But Premiership chances were few and far between, and after loan spells at Brentford and Southend, Coyne accepted a transfer to Dundee, to play in the Scottish Premier League. Luton boss Joe Kinnear had remembered Coyne from his West Ham days, and a £50,000 cheque persuaded Dundee to let the defender move to Kenilworth Road in September 2001.

Jean Louis Valois.

Born Si Priest, 15.10.73. Rarely can there have been a more explosive league debut than the one made by the midfielder in September 2001, a day after he joined Luton. The left-winger had turned down the chance to stay at Lille Olympique Sporting Club, despite the lure of European Champions League football, because he was desperate to play in England. Luton were one of several clubs interested in a man with a good reputation in French football, and after a brief trial signed him on a Bosman free transfer. Valois became an instant hero at Kenilworth Road, pulling most of the strings on his debut as Luton hammered

Torquay 5-1, with the left-footed midfielder cracking the goal of the game, a stunning 35-yard strike which even the opposition fans applauded.

The Manager

Joe Kinnear.

Born Dublin, 27.12.46. DESPERATE for an experienced man to try to halt a slide down the Second Division table, Luton's directors persuaded Joe Kinnear to take on the daunting task in February 2001, as Luton's third manager of the season.

He quickly instilled much-needed confidence, and improved Luton's performances and results, but the leeway was too great to make up, with a squad which he admitted was not good enough, and no-one was more gutted than football-mad Kinnear when the season of struggle ended in the Hatters dropping into Division Three. It was the first relegation he had suffered in a long career which made him a household name as a player and then as a manager.

Born in Dublin, but brought up in Watford, Kinnear was playing non-league football for St. Albans City as a teenager when Tottenham spotted his potential, and signed him in 1965. Joe was a reliable defender who enjoyed ten of the best years in the history of Spurs, making more than 280



appearances for them, and collecting 26 Republic of Ireland caps as well as an impressive array of medals - an FA Cup-winner in 1967, League Cup winner in 1971 and 1973 and a UEFA Cup winner in 1972.

He then played for Brighton - Brian Clough signed him - for four years before moving into coaching. For six years he was the national team coach in the United Arab Emirates, working alongside his old Spurs pal Dave MacKay but his major impact in this country came after taking charge of Wimbledon in 1992. With no ground of their own, and the smallest fan base in the

TEN-YEAR RECORD

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PTS	POS
1991-92 Div 1	42	10	12	20	38	71	42	20
1992-93 Div 1	46	10	21	15	48	62	51	20
1993-94 Div 1	46	14	11	21	56	60	53	20
1994-95 Div 1	46	15	13	18	61	64	58	16
1995-96 Div 1	46	11	12	23	40	64	45	24
1996-97 Div 2	46	21	15	10	71	45	78	3
1997-98 Div 2	46	14	15	17	60	64	57	17
1998-99 Div 2	46	16	10	20	51	60	58	12
1999-00 Div 2	46	17	10	19	61	65	61	13
2000-01 Div 2	46	9	13	24	52	80	40	22



Premiership, the Dons did much more than just survive in the Premiership, and the "crazy Gang" were still there when a heart attack forced him to step down. His time with Wimbledon brought him more accolades - two Premiership manager of the year awards, another as Carlton TV manager of the year, and yet another voted by Sky TV viewers.

Fully fit after being sidelined for 18 months, he was ready to get involved again when Luton approached him, relishing the chance to take control of all football matters at Kenilworth Road - director of football, manager and coach all rolled into one.

His return to soccer, however, had no fairy-tale ending, and having taken a hard look at the Luton squad he inherited Joe set about a major rebuilding job in the summer, promising that if the board backed him and

his judgement, he could take Luton back into division Two at the first attempt.

First Team Coach

Mick Harford.

Born Sunderland 12.2.59. "The Legend Returns" was the way Luton announced the appointment of then new first team coach in July 2001. And every supporter knew exactly who it was, because Mick Harford is part of Hatters' folklore and revered as perhaps the best striker the club has ever had.

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

His boyhood dream was to play for his

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

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

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



LUTON TOWN

Back Row, Left-Right: Russell Perrett, Andrew Fotiadis, Adam Locke, Matthew Spring, Emmerson Boyce, Jude Stirling, Richard Dryden, Kevin Nicholls, Stuart Fraser.

Middle Row, Left-Right: Bruce Sewell (Sports Therapist), Mick Harford (First Team Coach), Kent Karlsen, Steve Howard, Mark Ovendale, Scott Ward, Carl Emberson, Paul Hughes, Peter Holmes, Brian Stein (Reserve Team Coach), John Moore (Youth Team Coach).

Front Row, Left-Right: Liam George, Lee Mansell, Carl Griffiths, Marvin Johnson, Joe Kinnear (Manager), Aaron Skelton, Adrian Forbes, Stuart Douglas, Matthew Taylor.

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When we met before *by Leigh Edwards*

The game we turn our attention to today was played on February 1st 1947.

Argyle beat The Hatters on that occasion 4-3 at Kenilworth Road with Thomas (D) scoring two, Thomas (R) and Rawlings claiming the other goals. A crowd of 16,000 watched as Argyle completed the double over Luton, they had beaten them 2-1 at Home Park at the end of the previous September.

Despite the results against Luton Argyle ended the season in 19th in Division Two, just two places above relegation. Luton finished 6 places higher so the seven-goal thriller of a game at Luton in the February must have been the highlight of the season.

The game took place during a terrible period of winter weather with bad snow throughout the country.

The Evening Herald of Monday February 3rd carried a report, from which we carry these highlights. (Unfortunately they did not describe how the goals were scored):

Plymouth Argyle produced more team work at Luton on Saturday than during the season so far, which instead of those individual efforts so prevalent of late was a

material contribution to a deserved victory.

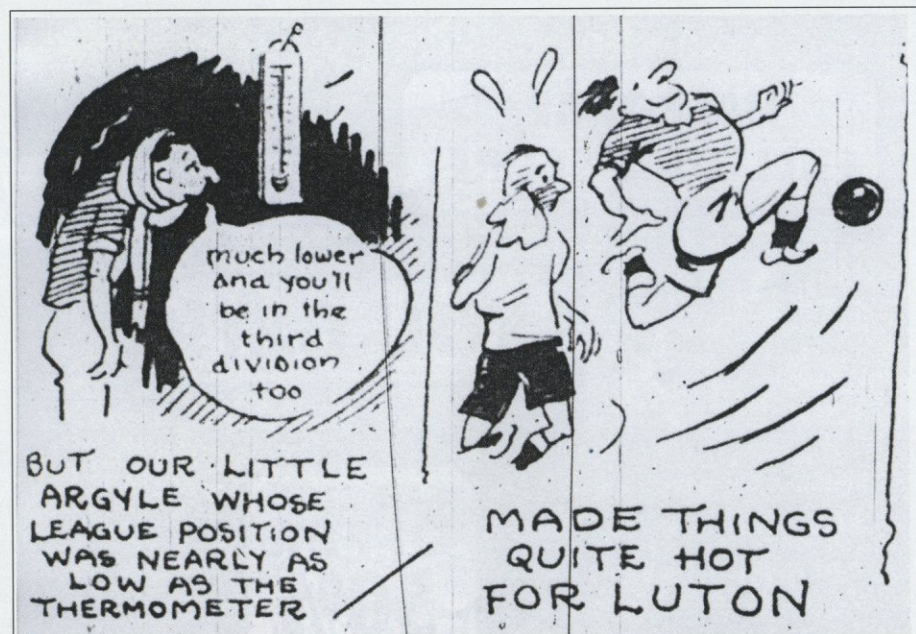
From the opening 26 minutes of the game, which produced four goals, it was evident that defence would come off second best, and the crowd of 16,000 were anticipating a heavy crop of scoring.

On ten occasions the ball was in the net, but only seven of them counted. Boyd twice had efforts nullified, and Connelly was similarly treated in an attempt for Luton.

In the last 20 minutes, with Argyle seemingly tired after their great display in such conditions and playing up the slope, Luton made a determined effort to save their face, but their football was more thrustful than skilful,

Not one of the Luton goals that counted could be attributed to a mistake by an individual, and all were the result of the Town taking their chances....

Argyle's victory would have been greater but for the goalkeeping of Bywater and the first half display of centre-half Gager while at the



"The Herald Cartoon After The game"

My only regret was the match was not played at Home Park for Argyle's display in the first half would have surprised the home supporters. The Plymouth club played the correct type of football on the snow-covered pitch with an open game, making full use of the wingers.....

other end Shortt distinguished himself with good saves from a desperate Luton attack....

The goals came: Bob Thomas (6), Rawlings (11), Billington (16), Dave Thomas (26, 50), Connelly (53), Cooke 75 Pen)



WHATEVER HAPPENED TO PLYMOUTH'S TEAM?

BILL SHORTT: Welsh international goalkeeper who made 342 League appearances for Plymouth prior to briefly joining Tavistock Town in July 1956, where he ran the 'Duke of York' pub for three years. He was then mine host at the 'Golden Hind' pub in Plymouth until retiring in October 1985 and still lives locally.

ROY ROYSTON: Tough-tackling right-back who made 39 League appearances for Plymouth until a recurring back injury ended his playing career in May 1947. He subsequently ran a grocer's shop and then a country club in the Portsmouth area before living near his son in Norfolk until his death in February 1997.

GEORGE SILK: Experienced left-back who scored once in 86 League outings for Plymouth before joining Newquay as player-manager in July 1951. He became landlord of the 'Farmers Arms' pub in St Columb Minor, then was steward at the Stewart Social Club in Plymouth and died locally in February 1969.

LEN JONES: Right-half who netted three goals in 71 League outings before moving to Southend United in August 1949, then played for Colchester United, Ipswich Town and Clacton Town where he became trainer. He ran the Hythe Coffee House in Colchester for 28 years and died in Chelmsford in April 1998.

STAN DIXON: Experienced centre-half who scored once in 60 League outings for Plymouth prior to joining Bideford in July 1951, then played for Poole Town. He subsequently became a builder in

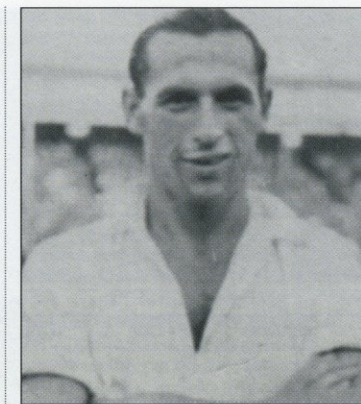
the Bournemouth area but suffered from health problems in later life and committed suicide in July 1996.

ALEC DYER: Versatile left-sided player who netted three goals in 53 Second Division games while at Home Park before retiring in May 1947 to enter business, rejecting an invitation to rejoin his former club Crewe Alexandra. He subsequently resided in his native Crewe until his death in August 1984.

SID RAWLINGS: The son of former England international Bill Rawlings, this much-travelled outside-right scored 20 times in 56 Second Division outings for Argyle until leaving Home Park in June 1948 and was subsequently player-manager of Tavistock Town. He remained local until his tragic death in July 1956.



DAVE THOMAS: Big centre-forward who was leading marksman in 1947-48 and netted 29 goals in 74 League games prior to joining Watford in February 1948. He then played for Gillingham, Sittingbourne and Chatham before becoming Gravesend & Northfleet's trainer and died in Dovercourt in March 1991.



BOB THOMAS: The younger brother of Dave, this inside-forward scored 17 times in 41 League games before moving to Fulham in June 1947. He then played for Crystal Palace, Tunbridge Wells, Gravesend & Northfleet and Clacton Town prior to becoming Bexley United's trainer and died in Sutton in March 1990.

LEN BOYD: Highly-rated inside-forward who netted five goals in 78 League games before being sold to Birmingham City for £17,500 in January 1949. Skipping them to promotion in 1954-55 and the FA Cup final in 1955-56, he became a publican, then worked for Royal Mail and now lives in Melton Mowbray.

LOU TINKLER: Little outside-left who netted four goals in 24 Second Division games for Plymouth prior to joining Walsall in June 1948, then played for Chingford Town, Kidderminster Harriers, Nuneaton Borough, Lye Town and Cradley Heath. He subsequently settled in the Midlands and died in April 1995.

Demolition - Rebuild *by John McNulty*

Even in the last week fans will notice the progress. Our pictures here monitor what has been carried out over a week, up until Tuesday.



The scale can be seen from looking at the two workmen under the stand.



The Devonport End metal work comes together

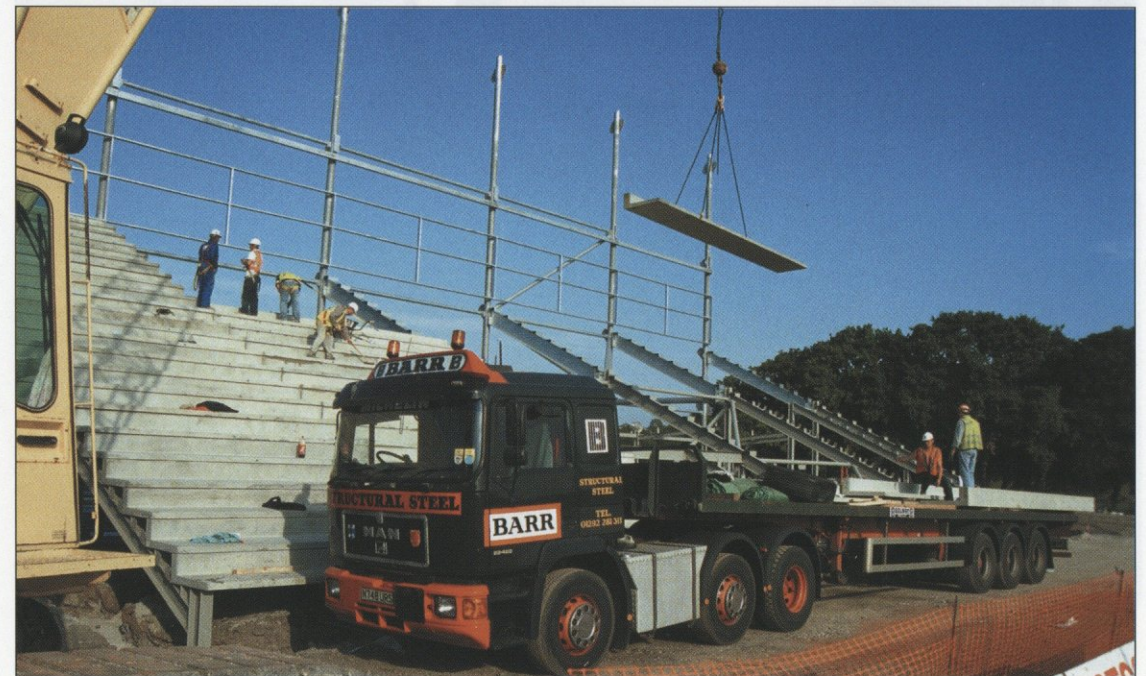


Mechanical means to set up the frame work.

Football in the Community



The shape of things to come - The Devonport End.



The delivery of a set of steps!

Demolition - Rebuild



The concrete steps are lowered into position



The positioning of the uprights.



The metal work gets placed for the new Devonport Stand

Football in the Community



We are busy arranging football coaching visits to Primary Schools in the Plymouth and South Hams area. Primary Schools in the Stoke Damerel Community College catchment area have already been visited and this term we hope to include "feeder" schools for Eggbuckland Community College and Ivybridge Community College.

Our visits to each school are usually scheduled for a four to six week period and can involve one or two classes. Girls and boys are coached in basic skills and techniques of the game in a fun environment, followed by small-sided games where enthusiasm abounds.

The final visit is concluded by a sponsored Penalty Shoot Out competition with each child taking five penalties. The winner representing the school in the "John Alexander" Trophy and Pirate FM Shield Finals at Home Park towards the end of the season.

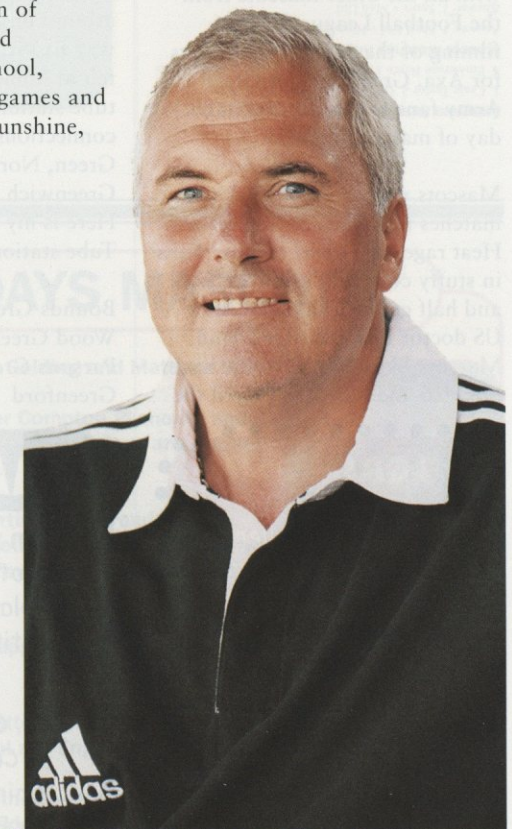
Last week we visited two schools in the Holsworthy area at the invitation of Alan Saunders a long time Argyle supporter whose wife teaches at one of the schools.

Both staff and children of Holsworthy C of E and Sutcombe Primary School, enjoyed a day of fun, games and coaching in glorious sunshine,

very warmly welcomed us. A return visit has been pencilled in for next year.

As a result of our visits, both schools are now arranging to come to Home Park to see a game this season - mission accomplished!

Geoff Crudgington
Community Officer



Green Army Pete *by PilgrimPete*

"I said ooh ah Pilgrim Pete, I said ooh ah Pilgrim Pete". Here we go again Pilgrim Punter's for another mouth-watering game of end-to-end soccer ping-pong.

Pilgrim Pete would like to welcome Happy Harry the Luton Town mascot for this afternoons match, along with all the loyal Luton fans who have made the trip to Plymouth for this all ticket tussle.

The last time that Pete saw Happy Harry was at Wembley with all the other mascots from the Football League for the filming of the penalty shoot outs for Axa. Great day out Green Army fans for an unforgettable day of mascot mayhem.

Mascots who misbehave at soccer matches may be suffering from Heat rage, an expert claims. Fans in stuffy costumes lose their cool and half get heat illnesses, says US doctor Edward McFarland. Mascots like Wolves Wolfie have brawled and Swansea's Cyril the

Swan have been given the bird by footy fans, disgusted by their unacceptable behaviour. The Doc advises lighter costumes. Costumes? What costumes, Pilgrim Pete is for real.

Argyle's away form is looking very impressive still, with Tuesday night's game against York making it six games unbeaten away from Home Park. Argyle's only away defeat this season as you know came at Watford with a 1-0 defeat in the Worthington Cup. Whilst traveling to Watford Pilgrim Pete got lost on the London Underground going around and around on the Tube looking for a way to Vicarage Road. Pete soon felt at home though with all the tube stations with Argyle connections. There was Stepney Green, North Greenwich, Greenwich and Bethnal Green. Here is my Pilgrim Pete's Top Ten Tube stations.

Bounds Green
Wood Green
Parsons Green
Greenford

Golders Green
Stonebridge Park
Turnham Green
Green Park
Kensal Green
Willesden Green

Green was definitely the most common colour on the Tube apart from White City, Blackwell and Blackfriars. There were no blues, reds or yellows. Enough to make other footy fans traveling in London on the Tube 'green with envy'

My Pilgrim Pete Prediction for today's game is as follows and I've tried to be more exact this week so here goes. This game I'm sure will be a great game of two halves, nineteen corners, fifteen goal kicks and twenty-three throw-ins and a 3-2 win in favour of Argyle. Whatever the result have a Mascotastic match.

Best wishes and a big "Greeeen Arrrrmy"

Pilgrim Pete.

PILGRIM PUNS

Why did a footballer take a piece of rope onto the pitch?

He was the skipper!

What do you get if you drop a piano on a team's defence?

A flat back four!

MASCOT

Can you spot these two other games being played today by identifying their team mascots?

1. Captain Blade v Captain Canary
2. Chirpy the Cockerel v Fred the Red

MATCHES

PETE'S PUZZLER'S

1. Luton Town are one of six clubs in the Football League beginning with the letter 'L'. Can you name the other five?

2. For how much was John Hartson sold from Luton Town to Arsenal in 1995?

3. True or False. Whadadah are a Jamaican League club?



Today's Mascot

Argyle ANAGRAMS

Rearrange the letters below to make the names of three squad players from Argyle and three from Luton Town.

Argyle

1. Oily Rag Cart
2. Much Goal Hanger
3. Ten Banjo's

Luton Town

4. Obscene Memory
5. Warm Pest Thing
6. Jovial Loan Issue

I DON'T BELIEVE IT!!

Kidderminster were 'over the moon' when their protest of their 3-1 FA Cup defeat to Darwen was approved and the match was to be replayed. They were soon 'as sick as a parrot' when Darwen beat them 13-0 to record the highest score in the competition. Honest Guv, this is a true story or my name is not Pilgrim Petell!

Anagram Answers Argyle
1. Craig Taylor 2. Graham Coughlin 3. Jason Bent
4. Emerson Boyce 5. Matthew Spring 6. Jean-Louis Valois
Mascot Matches Answers
Answer: 1. Sheffield v Norwich City
Answer: 2. Spurs v Man Utd
Pete's Puzzler's Answers
1. Leeds Utd, Leicester City, Liverpool, Lincoln City, Leyton Orient, 2. £2.5m 3. True

WE WELCOME TODAY'S MASCOTS

Today we welcome two mascots, Harry Golding and Matthew Lyth.



Matthew Lyth, 11, comes from Higher Compton Plymouth and attends Lipson Community College where he enjoys art, maths and English.

His favourite Argyle players are Martin Phillips and Romain Larrieu and he will look forward to meeting them today. Matthew should ask Romain to try and save a few of his shots during the warm up!

Matthew is here today with "Ferret" (apparently a girl), Lee and Jeneane.



Harry Golding, 10, comes from Newton Ferrers where he attends Newton Ferrers Church School. Harry's favourite subjects while at school are English and PE.

Harry is at Home Park today with his parents and his brothers. Along with them he will look forward to meeting his favourite players Lee Hodges and Mickey Evans.

ENJOY YOUR SPECIAL AFTERNOON!

You're Kiddie'n Me by Pete Ray

I saw Mick Heathcote at Kidderminster, there to run the rule over the home team for Shrewsbury's match against them three days later. He told me he had felt so awkward playing against Argyle after his transfer and he wished he had been anywhere but at Home Park on that day. I was pleased that several Argyle supporters took the time to chat to him and his spying mission was obviously successful - Shrewsbury beat Kiddie 4-0....

At Aggborough I sat next to the Pirate FM reporter, nice guy, unruffled. We both had official team-sheets before us as we prepared to voice our updates to the respective destinations - mine to Pilgrimline. Suddenly a bespectacled, inquisitive face invaded the space over our shoulders and between us. 'Can I copy out the teams please?' Now every individual in the press-area at Aggborough has access to a copy of the team-sheet and a free programme, but this guy was obviously lacking both and some initiative.

Just before kick-off his trainspotter's voice again pierced the expectant air between the Pirate and myself. 'Can you tell me who will play where for Argyle?' Aghast, I ran down where I guessed the chosen eleven would feature: Evans alone as a forward, Beswetherick and Hodges on the left, Worrell and Phillips on the right, etc. Off he toddled like he'd just spotted a 'namer' at Paddington Station and I frowned quizzically at the Pirate.

At half-time the fellow

reappeared. Was he partial to my Joop? 'Is your goalkeeper French?' The Pirate and I flashed exasperated and bemused glances at each other and I replied, 'Well with a name like Romain Larrieu, there's a good chance that he's French, yes....' I fought the temptation to be truly sarcastic. The chap responded, 'I thought he might have been Algerian or something.' I couldn't believe my ears. The guy scurried away and the Pirate smiled a weary smile at me.

I had forgotten about these incidents until I read a local Midland report of the game and there was the reporter's mugshot, peering at me from the protection of the newsprint. I couldn't believe it. I smiled as I read that Harriers, '....found Plymouth's French goalkeeper Romain Larrieu equal to the challenge.' But 'challenge' was spelt wrongly! Even his team layout was incorrect. Despite what I had told him, he had put Beswetherick and

Hodges on the right, Worrell and Phillips on the left.

He was paid as a regular soccer reporter for that piece of work. I pay my own mobile phone bill when I relay information to Pilgrimline and it makes one feel aggrieved. Why didn't the guy simply address a match programme for the information he needed?

At least the odd chap brought conversation between the Pirate and myself, for at half-time I said that Mickey Evans could do with Nicky Banger alongside him to ease the forward load and Kevin Wills was expendable. He agreed and must have thought I had managed to achieve mental telepathy with Paul Sturrock when Banger replaced Wills at the break.

Damn, should've told the roving Midland reporter that as well; he would surely have been impressed....



Keeping Argyle Players Fit And Hearty

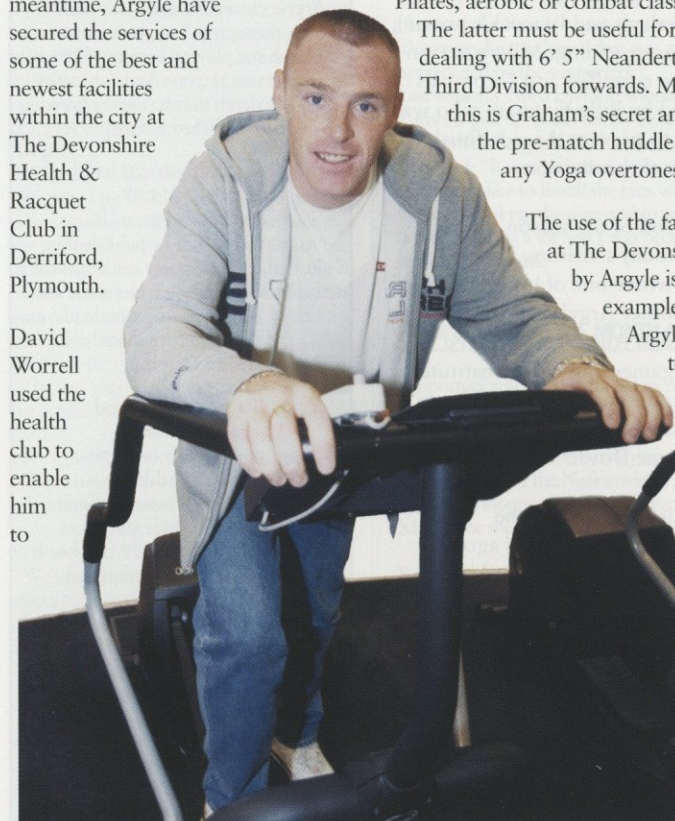


Argyle players need to keep fit or need to rehabilitate from injury. This is achieved partly through rest but also through fitness regimes.

Sure the team have their regular training, but often more is needed or if a player is injured he may not be able to participate in training with the team. He still needs to remain or regain fitness before being able to step up to the first team-training schedule.

Home Park is presently in a reduced state hence there is little equipment or space for the team to have it's own fitness studio. Whether in Phase Two of the redevelopment of Home Park there will be a purpose built fitness suite only time will tell. In the meantime, Argyle have secured the services of some of the best and newest facilities within the city at The Devonshire Health & Racquet Club in Derriford, Plymouth.

David Worrell used the health club to enable him to

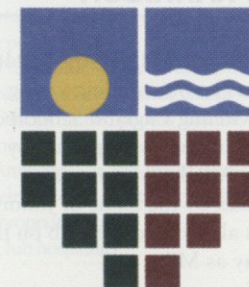


rebuild his fitness after the horrendous multiple fracture he suffered to his ankle last season. With two swimming pools and the fitness suite he was able to build up his strength before resuming training. Dave is now back in the first team and Argyle are thankful for the use of the Devonshire's amenities. Craig Taylor has been going through the same process, using the same services and will soon be knocking on the door of the first team.

It is not just the players who are injured or recovering that benefit, as can be seen on this page Graham Coughlan regularly works out at the club. The team also have taken the opportunity to take part in various classes that are available, Yoga, Pilates, aerobic or combat classes.

The latter must be useful for dealing with 6' 5" Neanderthal Third Division forwards. Maybe this is Graham's secret and has the pre-match huddle got any Yoga overtones?

The use of the facilities at The Devonshire by Argyle is an example of Argyle teaming up



with businesses in Plymouth. Argyle are already trying to build bridges with local companies and this is an instance where two businesses can benefit.

Apart from the mutual benefit many personalities and staff from Home Park have personally joined the club and use it for pleasure as well as for the burn of a work out. If you go along to the club you will see Argyle players, directors and management swimming, sweating or just relaxing.

Andy Robertson of The Devonshire can equally be seen here at Home Park with his family on most match days supporting The Greens, which is good considering Andrew comes from Sheffield and also keeps tabs on The Blades.

The club will have been opened a year in November and has plenty to offer any Argyle fan who would like to join. From the 10,000 sq. ft. gym, 10 tennis courts (inside and outside), three squash courts, a multipurpose sports hall, aerobic studio, the two swimming pools, Jacuzzi, sauna and steam room. After all that you can put the weight back on in the Café Bar!

There are also plenty of special events and I am sure the relationship between Argyle and The Devonshire will build over the coming years.

Former Player Profile *by Andy Riddle*

MIKE HARRISON

Born in Ilford on 18th April 1940, Mike was an outstanding young player winning England Schoolboy honours and was snapped up by Chelsea. Another young player from Essex by the name of Jimmy Greaves also joined the club on the same day as Mike.

Mike made his debut for the Blues in April 1957, five days short of his 17th birthday, at Blackpool, where amongst his opponents was the legendary Stanley Matthews.

An outside left, Mike soon gained a reputation of possessing one of the hardest shots in the game with his powerful left foot often testing goalkeepers from long range. One particularly memorable strike came against Arsenal in March 1962 when his 30 yard swerving shot left opposing 'keeper, Jack Kelsey totally flat footed.

Mike made 64 appearances for Chelsea, scoring 9 goals and also won 3 England under 23 caps against Germany, Scotland and Turkey before fierce competition for the number eleven shirt from Frank Blunstone forced him to move to seek more regular first team action. In September 1962, he moved to Blackburn where his direct style of play soon made him a firm favourite with the Ewood Park crowd. He remained at the club for five years during which time he played in sides containing

international players of the calibre of Bryan Douglas, Ronnie Clayton, Mike England and Keith Newton.

Having scored 40 goals for Blackburn in 160 games, Mike joined Argyle in September 1967, making his debut in a 2-1 home defeat by Preston. The Pilgrims had started the season in disastrous fashion, winning only 2 of their first eight games when Mike became one of three new signings along with former West Ham star, Alan Sealey and ex England forward, Alan Peacock, who were brought in by manager Derek Ufton in an effort to climb the Second Division table. Sadly the plan backfired. The trio managed only 31 appearances between them as all three suffered injuries with both Sealey's and Peacock's proving to be career ending. Mike's season was also curtailed and Ufton was replaced by Billy Bingham who was unable to prevent the side finishing bottom of the division.

At the end of the season, Mike joined today's visitors, Luton Town, where one of his team mates was another Argyle favourite of the past, Keith Allen. Mike played 28 league games plus 3 as substitute for Luton, scoring 6 times before he finished his playing career with non league Dover.

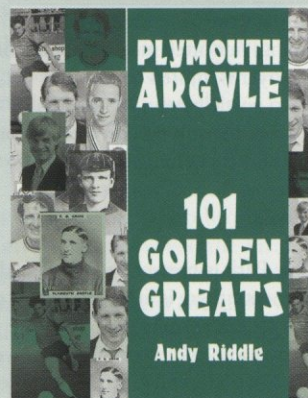
He returned to live in the Westcountry some years ago and now lives in Plymouth and works as a medical sales representative.

ARGYLE PLAYING RECORD

League	FA Cup		League Cup		Apps	Goals
	Apps	Goals	Apps	Goals		
1967-68	15	3	0	0	0	0

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PFA Chief Executive Gordon Taylor says: "There have been suggestions that the relationship between players and supporters is not what it was - well, at the PFA we still feel it is.

"We wanted the fans to have the opportunity to take part in voting for their player of the year while not forgetting the importance of players throughout all the divisions, and for that reason we're having a player award for each division."

These fans' awards have been well received amongst the players and all of last season's divisional winners - Steven Gerrard (Liverpool), Chris Bart-Williams (Nottingham Forest), Brian Tinnion (Bristol

City) and Bobby Zamora (Brighton) - were delighted and flattered to be selected by supporters up and down the country. Liverpool star Gerrard, last season's PFA Young Player of the Year winner, said: "I was honoured to be voted by my fellow professionals as the Young Player but, by the same token, it was great to be the fans' choice too. I was very proud to win these awards and now I'm setting my sights on the big one next year!"

Forest skipper Bart-Williams was delighted with his nomination too. He said: "I was very flattered to have received enough votes to put me ahead of some tremendous players in the First Division - especially Fulham's Louis Saha who was an absolute revelation."

Whilst last season ended in disappointment for Bristol City, who missed out on a place in the play-offs after a poor finish to the campaign, Brian Tinnion's spirits were lifted by a treble, personal celebration.

He recalls: "The announcement about the PFA fans' award came just a few days after I was named in the PFA Division Two side and was voted by the City fans as their Player of the Year. It was quite a week and it's tremendous to know that you are appreciated by the supporters."

Last season's Third Division winner Bobby Zamora said he 'could hardly believe all the stuff' which happened to him last term and he added: "It was a fantastic season and I would just like to thank the fans who voted for me for taking the time and trouble to do so. It means a lot and I was proud to receive this award."

FANS' PLAYER OF THE MONTH AWARDS

Supporters will be encouraged to vote monthly for their chosen player. Each month, the most popular player in each of the four divisions - the Barclaycard Premiership and the Nationwide 1,2 and 3 - will be announced as Fans' Player of the Month for their division.

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The Word on the Web by Matthew Banwell



P@SOTI

Being on the Internet means there are some things you can do that you couldn't elsewhere. Amongst the usual opinions and arguments at P@SOTI are plenty of people helping one another out with tickets, travel arrangements and so on - all good stuff! And sometimes, you find things that are just plain unusual. Six-O-Six would be more fun with comments like those that often appear at P@SOTI - often late and night, and often by way of Union Street!

Argyle's own official website - www.pafc.co.uk - has had a facelift for the new season. As well as looking a lot smarter, a number of new features (and bugs!) have been introduced. One particularly novel innovation is the Player Comparison where members of the upcoming opposition can be rated against Argyle players in terms of goals scored, tackles made, and - as happened for the Exeter game - number of pies eaten etc.. Another good idea is the WebCam that automatically posts pictures of Home Park's ongoing development to the website every thirty seconds.

The new Argyle website uses a common platform shared amongst other league teams in a collective deal similar to that in which television rights are sold. This approach allows the individual clubs to spread their internet investment between them, combine their power to attract advertisers and also means clubs can pool the overheads of dealing with any technical problems and issues. So, all of a club's effort can be put into concentrating upon content, rather than worrying about getting one's gigabytes confused with one's gigaflops.

Hatters on the Web

Proof positive of this common approach is Luton's own official website - www.lutontown.co.uk - which shares the same technical platform with Argyle. As a result, the structure of the site is pretty much the same, only there's a lot less green, and a lot more orange.

Trawling through the Search Engines to find out about other Luton websites reveals that there were, up until recently, many independently-run fans' sites out there. However, the recent dotcom crash has also managed to affect Third Division football supporters too, it seems! What appears to be the biggest and best site - www.lutonfc.com - is still going strong. Looking uncannily like the official site at first glance, it is up-to-date, well-intentioned and smartly presented. Rather than being centered around a messageboard, the site adopts more of an article-based approach. Refreshingly, the stories are all well written, such that even the neutral - or opposition fan! - will find them interesting.

As well as surfing the web, Luton fans can also use the internet to keep in touch by e-mail, thanks to 'Worldwide Hatters on the Super Highway' - or 'Whosh' for short. Details on how to sign up to the 600-strong mailing list can be found here - www.whosh.net.

SiteSeeing - <http://www.wsc.co.uk/famous/psturro.html>

Ever wonder about Paul Sturrock? Sure we know about his proud legacy as a footballer, that he won almost every honour the domestic game had to offer and was named Player of The Year by The Scottish Football Writer's Association in 1982 etc. etc.. But what of his equally-impressive Video Library? A nice little story about it can be found at the above address.

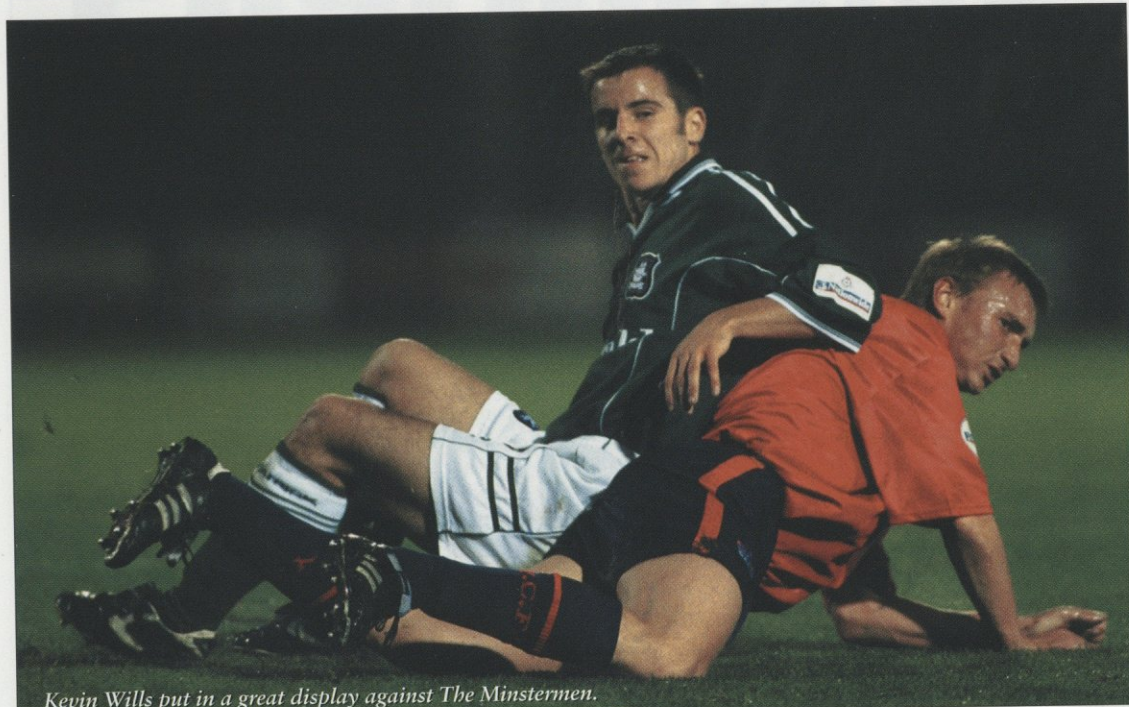
And if you've never had the chance, or always been too shy to ask Luggy or Ian Stonebridge for their autographs, you can find them here - <http://www.zyworld.com/sinzine/autographs/football1.htm> - print them out, and pretend you've really met them yourself. Not that - ahem - I've done that, obviously...(!)

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The P@SOTI (Plymouth Argyle Supporters On The Internet) web pages can be found at www.argyle.co.uk and is a supporters site. Get surfing and post your thoughts on today's game on their site.

The new look official site can be found at www.pafc.co.uk where you can get all the latest news, interviews and match reports. Check player stats, buy online from the club shop all at one address dedicated to all things Green.

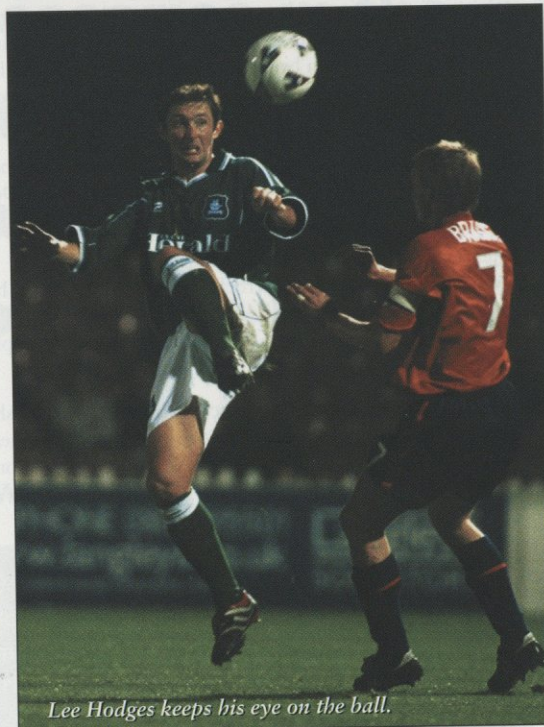
Game Action vs York



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Paul Sturrock explains to David Friio what he needs to do.



Lee Hodges keeps his eye on the ball.

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Argyle: Larrieu, Worrell, Friio, Coughlan, McGlinchey, Wotton, Wills (Stonebridge 78), Adams, Hodges, Evans, Phillips.

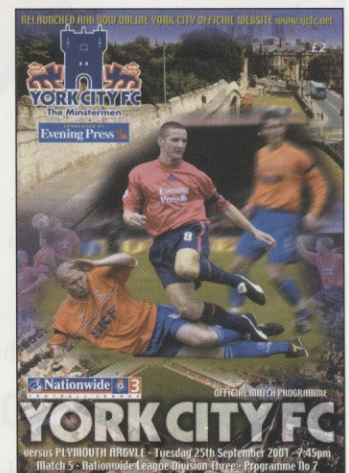
Yellow Card: McGlinchey, Friio



David Friio displayed his skill in the game.



Attackers and defenders watch the path of the ball.





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A big thank you to all the Goal gift members who I am pleased to say are listed in today's programme and in every issue for the remainder of the season.

Last season the goal gift scheme accumulated over £1,000 for the club through supporters donating as little as 25p per goal scored so join in call and me for an enrolment form.

In return for your donation you will receive a certificate signed by Paul Sturrock at the end of the season.

A few Players are still available to sponsor for this season as you have probably seen we also have away kit sponsorship available this season.

We have revamped the player sponsors pages to include stats this season so call me if you would like to see your name or company next to all the essential information on your favourite player.

Still available to sponsor are home kits Jason Bent & Paul Connolly.

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Away Days

Corner with Andy Baker

This coming week will seem a little unusual as we have no midweek match! Shock horror, what will we do?

Like the team the fans that travel will need a deserved rest until next Saturday. Then we make our first visit to the new Kassam Stadium where Oxford United have now, eventually, taken up residence.

To find out more about the stadium I checked the official Oxford United web site, which did not give a lot away but they obviously have a sense of humour when they deal with "How to get there" - see below.

The rest of the information provided by: www.footballgroundguide.dial.pipex.com - where you can go to find out about all the grounds we will visit this season.

The club have now moved from the Manor Ground to a new purpose built stadium on the outskirts of Oxford. The Kassam Stadium (named after Oxford Chairman Firoz Kassam), has been built at a cost of £15m. The ground has only three sides, with one end remaining unused. Each of the stands are of a good size, are all seated, covered and are roughly of the same height. The South Stand on one side of the pitch is a two-tiered stand that has a row of executive boxes running across it. This is a particularly impressive looking standard that has police control and press boxes situated at the back of it. Opposite is the North Stand, which is a single tiered stand that is primarily given to away supporters. This has a number of strange looking floodlights protruding from its roof. At the one end is the Oxford Mail Stand, which

is also single tiered. There is also a special type of pitch, one of the first to have artificial grass woven into the live turf. One disappointment is that there are quite large gaps, in the corners of the stadium, which may mean that some strong cold winds will 'whistle' through it and that the stands are setback somewhat from the playing surface.

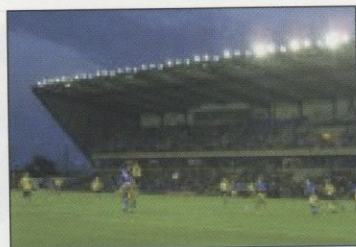
The official web site adds this bit of information about getting to the stadium:
By Helicopter
Fly in. Land. Walk (remembering to keep your head down in an undignified manner for the first few steps. Best hold on to your hat too.)

Seriously: To get to the Kassam Stadium head up the A38 and onto the M5, at Bristol move onto the M4 and head for London.

Stay on the M4 until Junction 15 (A346/A419) where you leave the Motorway (signposted Swindon E) and at roundabout take 1st exit A419. At the Commonhead Roundabout take 2nd exit (signposted Cirencester, M5). At the junction with A420/A4312 (White Hart) branch left (signposted Oxford A420) then at roundabout take 2nd exit In 0.3 mile at roundabout take 3rd exit A420. Stay on the A420 towards Oxford then join the ring road (A423).

The stadium is quite well signposted from the main routes into Oxford, with brown football signs pointing the way.

The stadium can be found in between the Oxford Science Park & Blackbird Leys Estate. From the A423 Ring Road, take the A4074 towards Reading. After the roundabout with



Kassam Stadium

Sainsbury's on one corner, take the left turning sign posted Cowley/Wallington/Oxford Science Park you will eventually come to the ground on your left.

There are 1,100 car parking spaces at the stadium, so with crowds in the region of 6,000, parking is going to be at a premium. However, at least at the moment the car park is free. Chris Stillwell adds; 'If you decide to go to the new stadium by car, beware - the car park tends to fill up very quickly and if you arrive much after 1:45 for a Saturday match you may be out of luck. Considering that street parking around the stadium is virtually non-existent, you may well be 'inconvenienced'. On my visit 'inconvenienced' meant parking on a grass verge, up to half a mile away from the ground.

Pubs

'The Priory' behind the open end of the ground. The nearest Public House is 'The Priory' which is just behind the car park at the open end of the ground. The pub which is owned by club chairman Firoz Kassam, is quite an historic looking building. On my visit the pub seemed fine for away fans, but as you would expect, it can get quite crowded. The pub also

boasted a large screen for SKY TV, served hand pulled Tetleys and offered a wide range of pies and filled rolls. Otherwise alcohol is served within the ground.

The Future

Foundations have been put in place for the future construction of a fourth stand, at the West End of the stadium. However it is unlikely that this will be built for at least a couple of years.

"What Is It Like For Visiting Supporters?"

Away fans are housed on one side of the North Stand, towards the open end of the ground. This stand may be shared with home supporters, or as was the case on my visit, the whole stand was given to the away support. There is little around the ground in

terms of pubs and eating establishments, so you may well find having to find such comforts within the ground itself. The refreshments on offer are okay, with a range of hot dogs and pies on offer. Bottles of Carlsberg Lager are also available at £2.20.

However, it seems to take an eternity to get served, but this should improve as the staff becomes more experienced. Please note that you are not allowed to smoke within the ground, apart from the concourses where the refreshment areas are located.

As it is to be expected, the new ground is light years away from the old Manor Ground. The facilities within the ground are excellent, as well as the view of the playing action. There is also good legroom, between the rows of seats. The public address

system within the ground is pretty good, although I noticed that no music was played. I don't know whether this is because of a local council restriction. However, the atmosphere within the ground is not bad, with the Oxford fans in the Daily Mail Stand doing their best to raise it. Although I did notice that they hadn't quite got used to their new home, still chanting the London Road End chant from the Manor Ground. With the one end of the ground being open, there is always the remark 'of watch my car' as another wayward shot, flies into the car park behind. On the whole I found the Kassam Stadium to an enjoyable and a largely friendly day out.

Address:

The Kassam Stadium, Grenoble Road, Oxford, OX4 4XP. Tel: 01865 337500 Tickets: 01865 e-mail: admin@oufc.co.uk



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5. More substantial issues before the Great War

The fund-raising potential of football programmes became widely appreciated by clubs in the years which followed the turn of the century, and by the outbreak of the Great War, clubs had become polarised into those who published multi-page, advertising-included recognisable match programmes, and those who published nothing at all. Few, if any, remained with the half-way house of a simple team sheet.

Some of these early programmes were substantial affairs, providing a comprehensive coverage of club matters, commentary on football topics and description of visiting clubs. "The Villa News and Record", for instance, comprised 20 pages and was arguably superior to the club's programmes some 50 years later. Birmingham City (or just plain Birmingham as they were then known) favoured a very large page size, with a cover of blue paper and white internal pages.

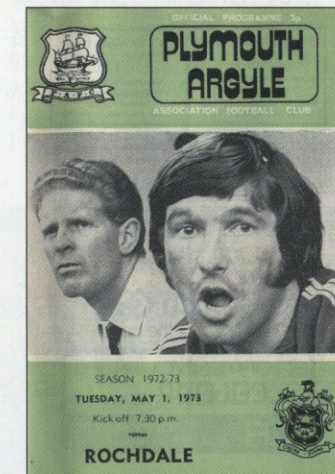
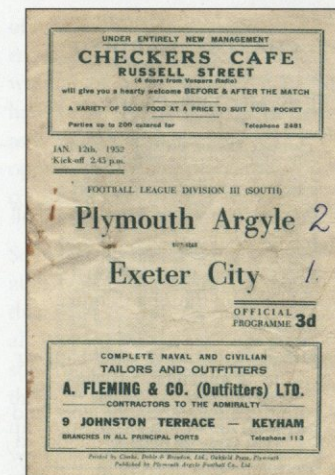
A curiosity amongst programmes from the early decades of this century was the "Everton and Liverpool Official Football Programme" "the only programme issued by Authority of the Everton and Liverpool Clubs." This was a substantial, 16 large page edition, which covered both

city clubs, featuring the first team match of one, and the reserve team fixture of the other, both played on opposite sides of Stanley Park on the same afternoon. This, apparently, happy collaborative arrangement persisted for many years on Merseyside, before the clubs reverted to their 19th century habit of issuing separate match programmes.

The Sheffield clubs were early and prolific programme issuers, with Wednesday being one of the last clubs to feature team selections on the front page. Their 16 page productions from the early 1900's were arguably before their time. It was not only League clubs who were beginning to make their programmes bigger and better. Hartlepool United, who did not join the League until after the Great War, had "Martin's Key Card and Official Programme" issued on their behalf as early as 1909/10. This consisted of 12 pages, only three of which were given over to advertisements.

By the outbreak of the Great War, those clubs who regularly issued programmes were publishing multi-page issues which we would recognise today - minus the gloss, colour and photography of course. Universal programme production across the country did not happen until the 1920's.

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The Mildly Obsessed *by Douglas Clay*

The Future - Longer Than Five Years

With the new Millennium now well into its second year, it would finally appear that with the publication of their Five Year Plan Discussion Document, Plymouth Argyle Football Club have finally woken up to the realities of life as a professional football club in the 21st Century.

In general the initiative would appear to have been very positively received by both the media and fans alike, and I too join in congratulating the Board on producing this document. But we must all realise that the creation of such a strategic plan is merely the first step upon a long path that will hopefully lead to a sustained, and may I add, long overdue period of success for the club. The real key to the plan will lie in its execution, and it is by this that the courage and convictions of the new Board will ultimately be tested and judged. Which is probably why one local journalist, whilst essentially welcoming the club's initiative, stated that he didn't actually like Five Year Plan's as they so rarely worked!

That said, such a strategic plan has been long overdue at the club. As I recall, way back in 1992, having just received the sack as manager, David Kemp publicly bemoaned the fact that the club lacked any form of long term plan or direction and that his

dismissal would ultimately prove counter-productive. A view largely endorsed many years later by his sacker, Dan McCauley, who went on record as saying he should never have succumbed to pressure from the rest of the Board in handing Kemp his P45. A little less than a decade later, and with Argyle two divisions lower than when Kemp left the club, it doesn't take a genius to see that the club's ex-manager would by and large seem to have been proven right.

So what of the actual strategies put forward for discussion? It has to be said that the majority are nothing more than common business sense, yet should not be derided as they patently identify certain areas in which opportunities exist for the club to move forward and improve. Others give a clear indication that the new Board have taken the time to identify certain key factors that have brought success to other clubs, and which they now wish to replicate at Home Park.

All the strategies, however, clearly indicate the Board's intentions to improve the club as a whole, not just in terms of on the pitch, which suggests to me that the Directors clearly understand that success on the pitch cannot be divorced from the performance of the club off it. As such, if Argyle are to realise the Board's stated football related ambitions, all aspects of the club must function to their optimum potential

and effectiveness, if these goals are to be achieved.

As for the specific strategies themselves, two in particular caught me eye. Firstly, and arguably the most important of all in my opinion, is the Board's commitment to provide stability for the club by ensuring that manager Paul Sturrock is given that all-too rare component of time. After all you only have to look at the achievements of long serving managers such as Sir Alex Ferguson, George Burley and Alan Curbishley to see that continuity in a football club, counts. However, whilst the announcement of an extension to his contract is commendable, agreeing a contract and honoring one is two different things, as the world of professional football repeatedly demonstrates. I would therefore take issue with the Board's claim that as a result of this extended contract offer their guarantee of time is a "concrete reality." After all, even concrete can crumble.

The second strategy of interest, relates to the club's desire to build strategic alliances with local businesses. I recently watched a documentary on the return of Ipswich Town to the Premiership, detailing not only the effect their first season back in the top flight had had upon the club itself, but also its effect on the local community. I was fascinated to learn that the club's return to the Premiership was not only worth many millions of pounds to the club itself, but also to the town of Ipswich and the surrounding region as a whole.

For example, their promotion had led to a higher profile for the town in its own right, particularly abroad, which in turn had led to a marked increase in tourism to the area. Furthermore, the feel-good factor brought about by the club's success had also led to an

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increased retail spend in the town's shops and also increased productivity in local industries. Finally, the simple fact that club's annual turnover had shot up from some £5 million to in excess of £30 million, meant the club pumped much larger sums of money directly back into the local economy through such things as the purchase of goods and the employment of more staff.

Having seen how Ipswich's success had brought increased prosperity to the town as a whole, it didn't take long for me to conclude that if I were a local businessman in the Plymouth area, I'd now be jumping at the chance to secure a strategic alliance with Argyle. After all, if I were to approach my business with the same long-term vision that the Directors of

PAFC appear to be exhibiting to theirs, I'd soon realise that success for the club could only be good for my business. If I could therefore help support the club in achieving that success, then I'd be furthering the interests of my own business at the same time.

Finally, the most essential thing about the production of this document, lies not within its content, but rather in the fact that it has been produced as a draft document specifically for discussion by the club's fans. By opening up this plan for debate and by encouraging fans to put forward their views, the club has cleverly provided each and every one of us with the opportunity to have our say in determining how best to take our beloved club forward. The end result

of which is we will all hopefully endorse and support the final plan with far greater enthusiasm than if it had purely been written by the Board, as we will have all had the opportunity to contribute towards its construction.

So in conclusion then, if you haven't already had your say on the matter, then what are you waiting for? After all, it's your club so why not do something about it? And if you don't, then just remember not to come moaning to me if you fail to agree with the final draft!

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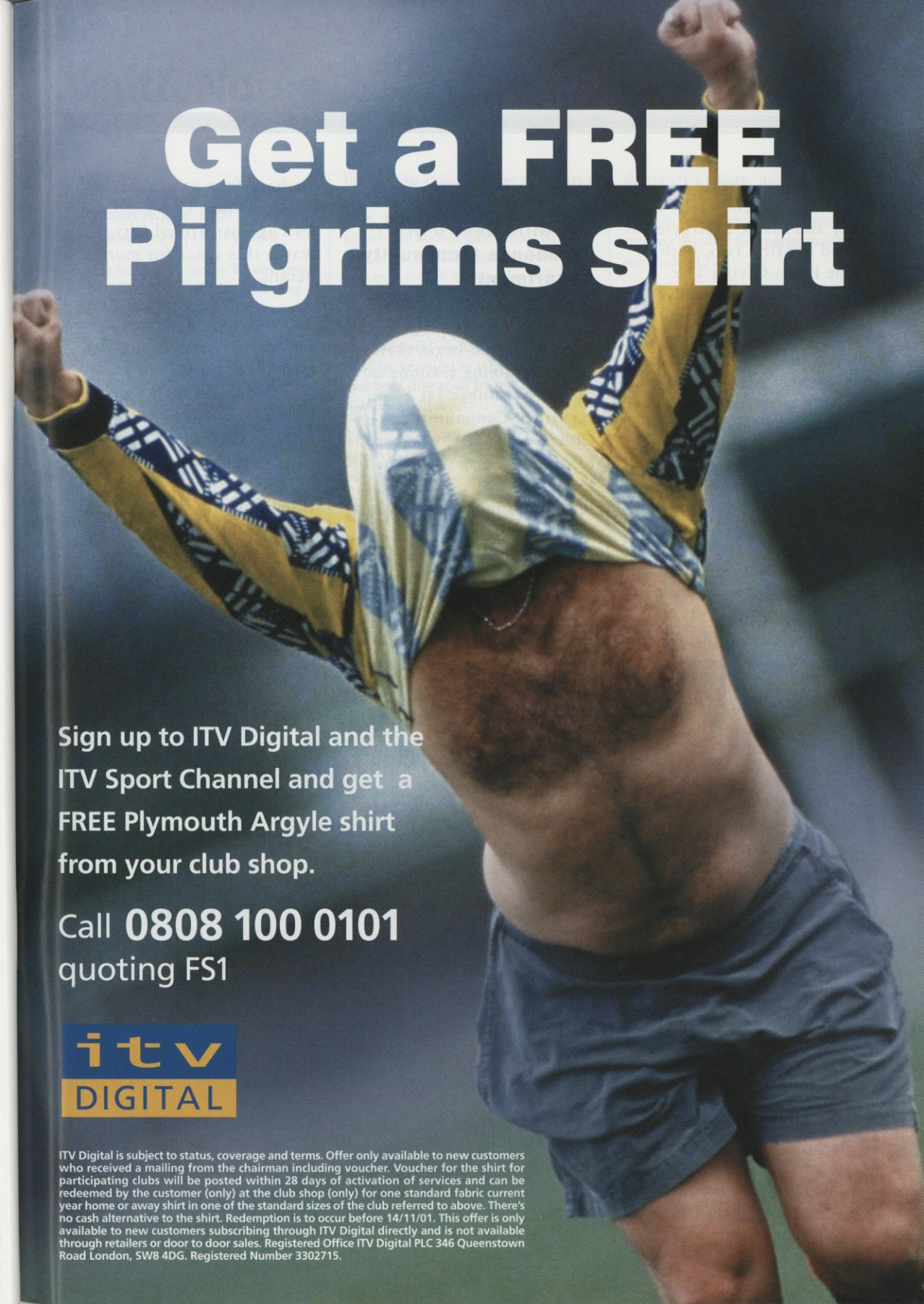

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Ladies Team

The Plymouth Argyle Ladies first team played Bristol City away and lost 4-2. Argyle scored the first two, both by Angie Pope. Giving The Greens a 2-1 half time lead.

Bristol came out fighting in the second period and scored mid-way through the half. Argyle managed to hold on until the last two minutes of stoppage time when Bristol scored their two final and winning goals.

Team: K. Miller, C. Roberts, D. Lake (Capt), R. Jewell, K. Lambert, L. Tonkin, C. Wright, J. Tobin, K. Middleton, A. Pope, M.

McCann, T. Rogers, R. Allen.

The Girls Centre of Excellence (Community Department)

The Girls Centre of Excellence will begin their regular training sessions on Monday October 1st at Ivybridge Community College. The last two seasons have been a great success for the Girls Centre and we are looking to take that forward into this season.

Hopefully this year will see a lot more games being played by all three groups. Already

we have four games arranged for the Under 12's and Under 14's against Bristol City, so watch this space for more details.

As some of you already know we are fortunate in that we have three fully qualified UEFA female coaches: Debbie Lake, Sara Raine and Kelly Miller, all of whom play for the Plymouth Argyle Ladies.

Unfortunately we lose Julie Tobin this year as she has taken on a Football Development job in Sussex. We wish her every success for the future.

Youth Notes *with Stuart Gibson*



Under 19's

Plymouth Argyle 1 (0) Swindon Town (1) 1 (Yetton)

League leaders Swindon Town came to Plymouth last Saturday and gave us a very good game. For us it was an improvement on our last performance against Torquay.

The pitches are still very hard and bumpy although we are three-quarters of the way through September. The game was even handed although we did look more positive in the last third as our two central defenders Paul Connolly and Robin Teagle in particular dealt with everything that came their way either in the air, or on the ground.

We did however let ourselves down again defensively when once again we failed to defend a free kick into

the penalty area, allowing a man to run and be first in the near post area. One, it was bad marking and two, somebody should have been covering that area. To compound matters it was in the 45th minute. So half time we go in 0-1 down.

One or two home truths were said at half time and pleased to say a positive reaction to what was said and how they took it. But has it sunk in? Time will tell.

The second half was much the same as the first with both teams looking to play football when possible but, as I said earlier, it was proving difficult. One plus for us though was that we scored from a rehearsed corner that saw Stewart Yetton score with a header, rising above everybody else, putting it into the top corner after it was well struck by Lee Coxon. That was Yetton's fourth time on the score

sheet in five games.

Dominic Rivans (15) had an excellent game in central midfield. "Rivo" stepped up after fine performances in the Under 17's.

In-Service Weekend.

There are no games this weekend at Youth or Centre Of Excellence level as it is an FA In-Service Weekend. That's to say that I, along with Dave Newton (Centre Director) and Ian Leigh (Physio) will be holding a coaches development day on Sunday. It is a chance for me to put across our development plan of what our goals and aims are and hopefully how we are going to achieve them. It will be an intense day but we will also make it enjoyable.

Stuart Gibson.



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Centre of Excellence Report *with Dave Newton*

The season got into full swing on Sunday with all four teams in action home and away against Swindon Town.

The Under 12's and Under 14's had the long haul up the motorway and a very early start but were rewarded with promising performances.

The Under 12's won an evenly balanced game 4-3, the game ebbed and flowed but goals by Hopkins (2) Hunter and Tozer helped seal a good away win. The lads worked hard but coach Steve McEvoy declared his intention to work on defending in the coming weeks coaching sessions.

The Under 14's lost 3-2 but Craig Laird saw a big improvement in his

lads from the previous week. A much more positive and spirited performance and goals by Resky and Harding saw the boys narrowly lose out in an end-to-end game.

The Under 13's fought out a goalless 0-0 draw at Plymstock School.

"It was a good team performance," said coach Mike Beckett, "with everybody playing their part." The windy conditions spoil it a little but another encouraging performance.

The Under 15's gave a good account of themselves and two fine John Hoyles goals earned a 2-2 draw.

Coach Chris Harrison said: "The lads should have won with the

attitude of all the squad. With Hoyles, Hambly, Field and Dickson having made good contributions."

This Sunday sees a Coaches In-Service Day so the games recommence the following Sunday, 7th October, versus Oxford United, home and away.

Special thanks from myself to all the coaches for the massive commitment in both time and effort on behalf of the Youth Department, and we are reaping the rewards with some fine young players coming through the ranks to play Under 17 and Under 19 Youth Alliance Football.

Enjoy the game

Dave Newton.

Focus on Youth

Robin Teagle

Age: 17

Place of Birth: Truro, Cornwall.

Height: 5' 10"

Weight: 12 stone

Position: Left/Centre back

Biography: I live in St Agnes, Cornwall. I started playing for Argyle youth teams in the Under 11 team.



Youth Fixtures

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Sat	Aug	18	Torquay United	a	1 - 3
Sat	Aug	25	Swansea City	h	1 - 0
Sat	Sep	1	Cirencester	a	0 - 1
Sat	Sep	8	Bristol Rovers	h	4 - 1
Sat	Sep	15	AFC Bournemouth	a	0 - 4
Sat	Sep	22	Oxford United	a	2 - 0
Sat	Oct	6	Exeter City	h	
Sat	Oct	13	Cheltenham Town	h	
Sat	Oct	27	Swindon Town	a	
Sat	Nov	3	Cardiff City	h	
Sat	Nov	17	Exeter City	a	
Sat	Nov	24	Oxford United	h	
Sat	Dec	15	Cheltenham Town	a	
Sat	Jan	12	Swindon Town	h	
Sat	Jan	19	Cardiff City	a	
Sat	Feb	2	Torquay United	h	
Sat	Feb	9	Swansea City	a	
Sat	Feb	16	Cirencester	h	
Sat	Feb	23	Bristol Rovers	a	
Sat	Mar	2	AFC Bournemouth	h	

Plymouth Argyle Under 19's

Sat	Aug	18	Cirencester	h	0 - 1
Sat	Aug	25	Swansea City	a	7 - 1
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Sat	Sep	8	Youth Alliance Cup		
Sat	Sep	15	Torquay United	a	2 - 4
Sat	Sep	22	Swindon Town	h	1 - 1
Sat	Oct	6	Oxford United	a	
Sat	Oct	13	Torquay United (Y A Cup)	a	
Sat	Oct	27	Exeter City	h	
Sat	Nov	3	Bristol Rovers (Y A Cup)	h	
Sat	Nov	10	Cardiff City	a	
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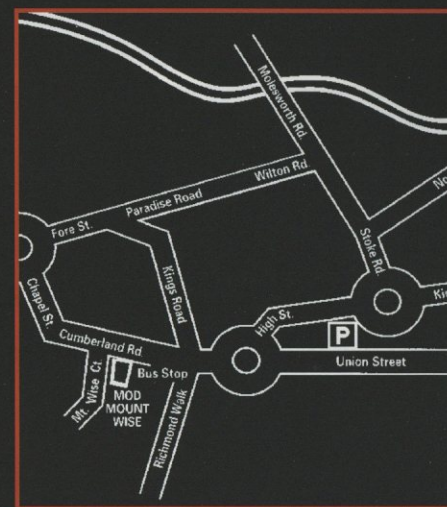
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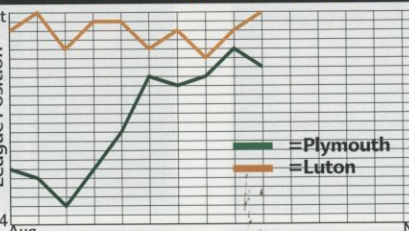
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S	Oxford	H	11th
S	Exeter	A	24th
W	Southend	H	2nd
L	Bristol Rovers	A	2nd
W	Cheltenham	H	11th
W	Carlisle	A	-

Goals Info:



Where



8 Goals



11 Goals



3 Goals

How

Shots.....11
 Headers.....9
 Volleys.....2
 Penalties..0
 Free Kicks..0
 O.G.s.....0

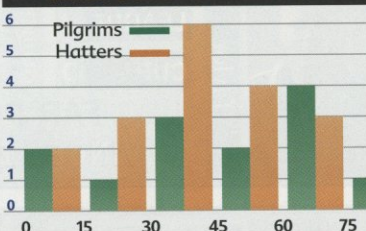
Scorers

Griffiths.....7
 Taylor.....4
 Howard.....2
 Hughes.....2
 Valois.....2
 Nicholls...1
 Skelton...1
 Mansell...1
 Fotiadis...1
 Hillier....1

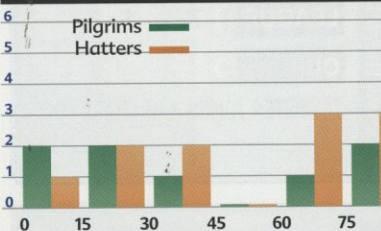
2001-2002

Highest Gate
 6,736
 vs Oxford
 Lowest Gate
 5,066
 vs Lincoln
 Average Gate
 6,173
 Players Used 24
 Clean Sheets 2
 Failed to Score
 0
 Consec. Wins
 2 games
 Consec. Defeats
 none

When Goals have been Scored



When Goals have been Conceded



Micky Evans (Plymouth)

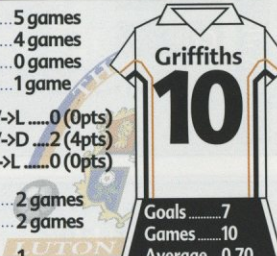


2 games.....Total Games Scored In.....5 games
 2 games.....Games Scored 1 Goal.....4 games
 0 games.....Games Scored 2 Goals.....0 games
 0 games.....Hat-tricks.....1 game

Top Scorers Comparison

Season's Results and (loss of points) without the two goalscorers goals

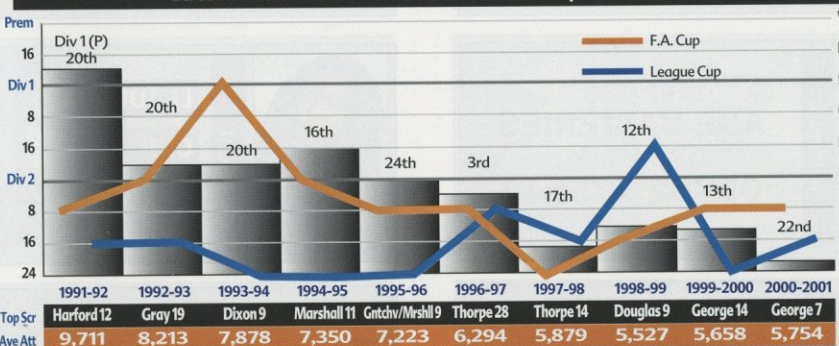
Carl Griffiths (Luton)



7 games.....Total Games Scored In.....11 games
 7 games.....Games Scored 1 Goal.....8 games
 0 games.....Games Scored 2 Goals.....0 games
 0 games.....Hat-tricks.....1 game

W->L.....0 (Opts)	W->L.....0 (Opts)
W->D.....2 (4pts)	W->D.....2 (4pts)
D->L.....0 (Opts)	D->L.....0 (Opts)
1 game.....Maximum scoring run.....2 games	1 game.....Maximum scoring run.....2 games
3 games.....Maximum Dry Spell.....2 games	3 games.....Maximum Dry Spell.....2 games
0.....Shot.....1	0.....Shot.....1
2.....Header.....5	2.....Header.....5
0.....Volleyed Shot.....1	0.....Volleyed Shot.....1
0.....Penalty.....0	0.....Penalty.....0
0.....Direct free Kick.....0	0.....Direct free Kick.....0
Plymouth Goals.....13	Luton Goals.....22
Plymouth Games.....10	Luton Games.....10
Plymouth's Goal Ave.....1.30	Luton's Goal Ave.....2.20

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Records

Highest Gate
 10,755
 Hull
 v Plymouth
 Lowest Gate
 1,556
 Macclesfield v
 Darlington
 Highest
 Agg Score
 Macclesfield...4,
 Scunthorpe...3
 Biggest
 Home Win
 Darlington...4
 Exeter...0
 Hull...4
 York...4
 Luton...5
 Torquay...1
 Mansfield...4
 Macclesfield...0
 Shrewsbury...4
 Shrewsbury...4
 Kidderminster...0
 Exeter...0
 Scunthorpe...4

Consec. Wins

Rochdale,
 Orient...4

Games Unbeaten

Hull...8



Consec. Defeats

Rushden...4
 Rshdn, Crisile,
 Kidder, Hpool 7



Total Games

118
 Home Wins
 51.....43%
 Away Wins
 28.....24%
 Draws
 39.....33%

Average Attendances

	2000	4000	6000	8000	10000
Bristol Rovers					7,760
Carlisle					3,462
Cheltenham					3,367
Darlington					4,047
Exeter					3,702
Halifax					1,965
Hartlepool					3,526
Hull					9,996
Kidderminster					2,693
Orient					5,134
Lincoln					2,975
Luton					6,173
Macclesfield					2,059
Mansfield					3,959
Oxford					6,297
Plymouth					4,341
Rochdale					3,222
Rushden					4,278
Scunthorpe					3,516
Shrewsbury					3,464
Southend					4,201
Swansea					3,932
Torquay					2,639
York					3,029

Goals - When Scored

	0-15	16-30	31-45	46-60	61-75	76-90
BR	0	2	3	0	2	5
CU	0	3	3	1	0	3
CT	0	1	1	1	6	3
Da	1	1	4	1	6	4
EC	5	3	1	1	1	1
HT	0	3	2	1	1	0
HU	1	0	0	2	2	1
HC	0	2	2	6	2	4
Ki	0	0	0	2	1	2
LO	1	1	2	3	1	4
LC	1	1	2	3	3	2
LT	2	3	6	4	3	4
MT	2	1	3	1	1	1
MT	2	4	3	3	2	3
OU	4	1	0	4	2	0
PA	2	1	3	2	4	1
Ro	4	5	0	1	3	3
RD	0	2	1	1	1	3
SU	4	2	4	1	2	1
ST	4	1	3	1	4	4
SU	0	1	2	3	1	4
SC	3	5	3	0	1	4
TU	2	1	1	0	1	2
YC	0	0	4	2	2	4

Form Guide: Home & Away

Home Form	most recent results to left	Away Form
DWDWW	Bristol Rovers	WLLW
DWLDL	Carlisle	LLDD
WDL	Cheltenham	LWLDL
WWDWW	Darlington	LDLWL
DLWDL	Exeter	LLDL
DWDL	Halifax	LWLLW
DLL	Hartlepool	LDLLW
WWWWD	Hull	LDLW
DDDDW	Kidderminster	LDLLL
LWWWD	Orient	DLWLD
WLDWL	Lincoln	DDLDD
WDDWW	Luton	WDLWL
DDWDL	Macclesfield	LWDL
WWWWD	Mansfield	DLDW
WLWLL	Oxford	DLDW
WWL	Plymouth	DWDWW
WDLWW	Rochdale	LWLVW
WDL	Rushden	DLDLW
DDWDL	Scunthorpe	DDLWL
WWWL	Shrewsbury	DLDW
WDLWW	Southend	LLWLD
DLWDD	Swansea	LDLLW
DWLWL	Torquay	LDLL
DLWWL	York	DLLLW

Clubs' top scorer & the points their goals have won

Club	Leading Scorer	GS	Sc1	Sc2	HT	Gms/Gls/Gm	Pts	Run
Shrewsbury	Luke Rodgers	8	5	0	1	10	0.80	6
Mansfield	Chris Greenacre	6	6	0	0	10	0.60	6
Hull	Gary Alexander	6	2	2	0	9	0.67	5
Macclesfield	Lee Glover	6	4	1	0	10	0.60	5
Torquay	Alex Russell	3	3	0	0	8	0.38	5
Luton	Carl Griffiths	7	4	0	1	10	0.70	4
Carlisle	Ritchie Foran	4	4	0	0	6	0.67	4
Darlington	Barry Conlon	4	4	0	0	10	0.40	4
Bristol Rovers	Kevin Gall	3	3	0	0	9	0.33	4
Halifax	Paul Harsley	3	1	1	0	10	0.30	4
Rochdale	Clive Platt	3	1	1	0	10	0.30	4
Plymouth	Micky Evans	2	2	0	0	10	0.20	4
Exeter	Sean McCarthy	2	2	0	0	6	0.33	3
Swansea	Stuart Roberts	4	4	0	0	10	0.40	2
Cheltenham	Mark Yates	3	3	0	0	9	0.33	2
Orient	Scott Houghton	3	3	0	0	9	0.33	2
York	Lee Nogan	3	3	0	0	10	0.30	2
Kidderminster	Mark Blake	2	2	0	0	9	0.22	2
Oxford	Martin Thomas	2	2	0	0	10	0.20	2
Southend	Phil Whelan	2	2	0	0	10	0.20	2
Scunthorpe	Martin Carruthers	4	2	1	0	9	0.44	1
Hartlepool	Ian Clark	2	2	0	0	7	0.29	1
Rushden	Duane Darby	4	0	2	0	6	0.67	0
Lincoln	Lee Thorpe	4	2	1	0	9	0.44	0

Biggest Wins & Heaviest Defeats

Club	Win - vs.	Defeat - vs.	PU	CS	FS
Bristol Rov	3-2 Luton	1-3 Orient	20	3	2
Carlisle	2-1 York	0-2 Lutn, Chlt	26	2	4
Cheltenham	2-0 Carlisle	2-3 Mansfield	22	2	1
Darlington	4-0 Exeter	1-2 Torquay	18	4	1
Exeter	3-2 Oxford	0-4 Scun, Darl	27	0	3
Halifax	2-0 Swansea	1-4 Southend	18	4	5
Hartlepool	3-1 Shrewsbury	0-2 Orient	21	1	5
Hull	4-0 York	2-4 Mansfield	22	4	3
Kidderminster	1-0 Scun, Torq	0-4 Shrsbry	21	4	5
Orient	3-1 Bristol Rov	0-3 Darlington	24	3	3
Lincoln	3-0 Swansea	1-2 Hlfx, Man	17	3	2
Luton	5-1 Torquay	2-3 Bristol R	24	2	0
Macclesfield	2-0 Oxford	0-4 Mansfield	19	4	5
Mansfield	4-0 Maccsfield	0-1 Halifax	16	3	3
Oxford	2-0 Hlfx, S'end	0-2 Maccsflld	21	4	4
Plymouth	3-1 Swansea	1-2 Rochdale	19	5	4
Rochdale	2-0 3 clubs	1-3 Hull	20	3	1
Rushden	1-0 York, Chelt	2-3 Plym, Oxf	25	5	4
Scunthorpe	4-0 Exeter	3-4 Maccsflld	20	4	3
Shrewsbury	4-0 Kidderminster	1-3 Hartpool	18	5	1
Southend	4-1 Halifax	0-2 Lutn, Oxf	21	4	4
Swansea	4-2 Exeter	0-3 Lincoln	20	1	3
Torquay	2-1 Carlsl, Darl	1-5 Luton	29	2	6
York	3-0 Torquay	0-4 Hull	22	3	3

Key: GS=Goals Scored; Sc1=Games Scored 1 Goal; Sc2=Games Scored 2 Goals; HT=Hat-Tricks; Each club's leading league scorer and avg. goals per game (Gls/Gm). Next column shows taking off their goals, how many Points (Pts) lost. Last figure show best scoring run in consecutive games.

NUMBERS: PU=Players Used CS=Clean Sheets FS=Games Failed to Score

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Match Facts

DATE	OPPONENTS	VENUE	SCORE	ATT	REFEREE	POS	1 Romain Larrrieu	2 Dave Worrell	3 Jon Beswetherick	4 David Frio	5 Graham Coughlan	6 Craig Taylor	7 Brian McGlinchey	8 Sean Evers	9 Michael Evans	10 Ian Stonebridge	11 Martin Phillips	12 Steve Adams	14 Lee Hodges	15 Paul Wotton	16 Martin Gritton	17 Kevin Wills	18 Dean Crowe	18 Nicky Banger	20 Jason Bent	22 Joe Broad	23 Luke McCormick	24 Paul Connolly
Sat Aug 11	SHREWSBURY TOWN	h	0-1	5087	C. Penton	18	●		●	●			●	■	●	●	●				●	■						
Sat Aug 18	Hull City	a	0-0	10755	G. Cain	19	●		●	●	●		●	●	●	●	●							■				
Tue Aug 21	Watford (WC1) (8pm)	a	0-1	9230	P. Armstrong	19	●			●	●		●	●	●	●	●				■	●		■				
Sat Aug 25	ROCHDALE	h	1-2	4198	R. Harris	22	●	●	■		●		●	●	●	●	●						■		■			
Mon Aug 27	Rushden & Diamonds	a	3-2	4415	G. Hegley	18	●		●		●		●	●	●	●	●				■	●		●				
Sat Sep 8	Torquay United	a	1-0	4217	M. Brandwood	14	●	●	●	●	●		■	●	●	●	●						■		●			
Tue Sep 11	SWANSEA CITY	h	3-1	3850	Mr Prosser	8	●	●	●	●	●		●	●	●	●	●						●					
Sat Sep 15	Kidderminster Harriers	a	0-0	2801	Mr Baines	9	●	●	●	●	●		■	●	●	●	●				●		■					
Tue Sep 18	Exeter City	a	3-2	5756	Mr D. Galagher	8	●	●	●	●	●		●	●	●	●	●						●					
Sat Sep 22	MACCLESFIELD TOWN	h	2-0	4227	Mr J. Ross	5	●	●		●	●		●	●	●	●	●							■				
Tue Sep 25	York City	a	0-0	2282	Mr G. Cowburn	7	●	●		●	●		●	●	●	●	●				●							
Sat Sep 29	LUTON TOWN	h																										
Sat Oct 6	Oxford United	a																										
Sat Oct 13	HALIFAX TOWN	h																										
Sat Oct 20	Mansfield Town	a																										
Tue Oct 23	LINCOLN CITY	h																										
Sun Oct 28	Bristol Rovers (2pm)	a																										
Sat Nov 3	HARTLEPOOL UNITED	h																										
Sat Nov 10	Cheltenham Town	a																										
Tue Nov 20	Southend United	a																										
Sat Nov 24	CARLISLE UNITED	h																										
Sat Dec 1	Leyton Orient	a																										
Sat Dec 15	DARLINGTON	h																										
Sat Dec 22	Scunthorpe United	a																										
Wed Dec 26	TORQUAY UNITED	h																										
Sat Dec 29	RUSHDEN & DIAMONDS	h																										
Tue Jan 1	Swansea City	a																										
Sat Jan 5	Rochdale	a																										
Sat Jan 12	HULL CITY	h																										
Sat Jan 19	Shrewsbury Town	a																										
Tue Jan 22	SCUNTHORPE UNITED	h																										
Sat Jan 26	OXFORD UNITED (CAT. C)	h																										
Sat Feb 2	Luton Town	a																										
Sat Feb 9	MANSFIELD TOWN	h																										
Sat Feb 16	Halifax Town	a																										
Sat Feb 23	KIDDERMINSTER HARRIERS	h																										
Tue Feb 26	EXETER CITY (CAT. C.)	h																										
Sat Mar 2	Macclesfield Town	a																										
Tue Mar 5	YORK CITY	h																										
Sat Mar 9	Darlington	a																										
Sat Mar 16	LEYTON ORIENT	h																										
Sat Mar 23	Lincoln City	a																										
Sat Mar 30	BRISTOL ROVERS	h																										
Mon Apr 1	Hartlepool United	a																										
Sat Apr 6	SOUTHEND UNITED	h																										
Sat Apr 13	Carlisle United	a																										
Sat Apr 20	CHELTENHAM TOWN	h																										

● = Appearance ○ = Goal Scored ●¹ = Substituted ■¹ = Used Substitute ■² = Used Substitute & Goal Scored ● = Yellow Card



All Division Three Games Today

Bristol R	vs	Oxford
Darlington	vs	Rushden
Exeter	vs	Macclesfield
Hartlepool	vs	Carlisle
Hull City	vs	Halifax
Kidderminster	vs	Swansea
Leyton Orient	vs	Torquay
Lincoln	vs	York
Plymouth	vs	Luton
Rochdale	vs	Mansfield
Scunthorpe	vs	Shrewsbury



Nationwide Football League Division Three 2000-2001

	P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	PTS
1 Luton	10	3	2	0	11	4	3	1	1	11	7	21
2 Shrewsbury	10	4	0	1	11	6	2	2	1	6	5	20
3 Rochdale	10	3	2	0	9	3	3	0	2	7	7	20
4 Mansfield	10	4	1	0	12	4	1	3	1	5	5	19
5 Darlington	10	4	1	0	12	2	1	2	2	5	6	18
6 Hull City	9	4	1	0	11	3	1	2	1	5	5	18
7 Plymouth	10	2	0	2	6	4	3	3	0	7	4	18
8 Bristol Rovers	9	3	2	0	8	5	2	0	2	4	5	17
9 Leyton Orient	10	3	1	1	8	5	1	2	2	4	7	15
10 Southend	10	3	1	1	9	5	1	1	3	2	6	14
11 Oxford	10	2	0	3	6	7	1	3	1	5	4	12
12 Halifax	10	1	3	1	2	3	2	0	3	5	8	12
13 Scunthorpe	10	1	3	1	5	5	1	2	2	9	7	11
14 Lincoln	10	2	1	2	7	4	0	4	1	5	6	11
15 York	10	2	1	2	4	4	1	1	3	8	11	11
16 Macclesfield	10	1	3	1	6	7	1	2	2	3	7	11
17 Rushden & D	10	1	2	2	3	4	1	2	2	5	6	10
18 Swansea	10	1	3	1	9	9	1	1	3	7	11	10
19 Kidderminster	10	2	3	0	3	1	0	1	4	2	11	10
20 Cheltenham	9	1	2	1	7	6	1	1	3	5	7	9
21 Torquay	10	2	1	2	4	6	0	2	3	3	9	9
22 Carlisle	10	1	2	2	5	7	0	2	3	5	9	7
23 Hartlepool	9	0	2	2	3	5	1	1	3	3	6	6
24 Exeter	10	1	2	3	9	15	0	1	3	3	11	6

Division 3 Table correct at time of going to press



Team Check

Saturday 29th September 2001 vs Luton Town Kick off 3.00 pm

Plymouth **Luton**



- 1 Romain Larrieu
- 2 Dave Worrell
- 3 Jon Beswetherick
- 4 David Friio
- 5 Graham Coughlan
- 6 Craig Taylor
- 7 Brian McGlinchey
- 8 Sean Evers
- 9 Michael Evans
- 10 Ian Stonebridge
- 11 Martin Phillips
- 12 Steve Adams
- 14 Lee Hodges
- 15 Paul Wotton
- 16 Martin Gritton
- 17 Kevin Wills
- 18 Nicky Banger
- 20 Jason Bent
- 22 Joe Broad
- 23 Luke McCormick
- 24 Paul Connolly

- 1 Mark Ovendale
- 2 Aaron Skelton
- 4 Matthew Spring
- 5 Russell Perrett
- 6 Marvin Johnson
- 7 Adrian Forbes
- 8 Kevin Nicholls
- 9 Stuart Douglas
- 10 Carl Griffiths
- 11 Liam George
- 12 Chris Coyne
- 13 Stuart Fraser
- 14 Andrew Fotiadis
- 15 Matthew Taylor
- 16 Carl Emberson
- 17 Emerson Boyce
- 18 Adam Locke
- 19 Steven Howard
- 20 Peter Holmes
- 21 Richard Dryden
- 22 Dean Brennan
- 23 Jude Stirling
- 24 Seott Ward
- 25 Dean Standen
- 26 Peter Thomson
- 27 Paul Hughes
- 28 Jean Louis Valois
- 32 Lee Mansell
- 33 Ian Hillier

Final Score _____

Half Time Score _____

Scorers _____

Yellow Cards _____

Red Cards _____

Attendance _____

Referee: Mr. A. Hall

Assistant Referees: Mr. M. Hawken

Mr. S. Tanner

4th Official: Mr. M. West



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