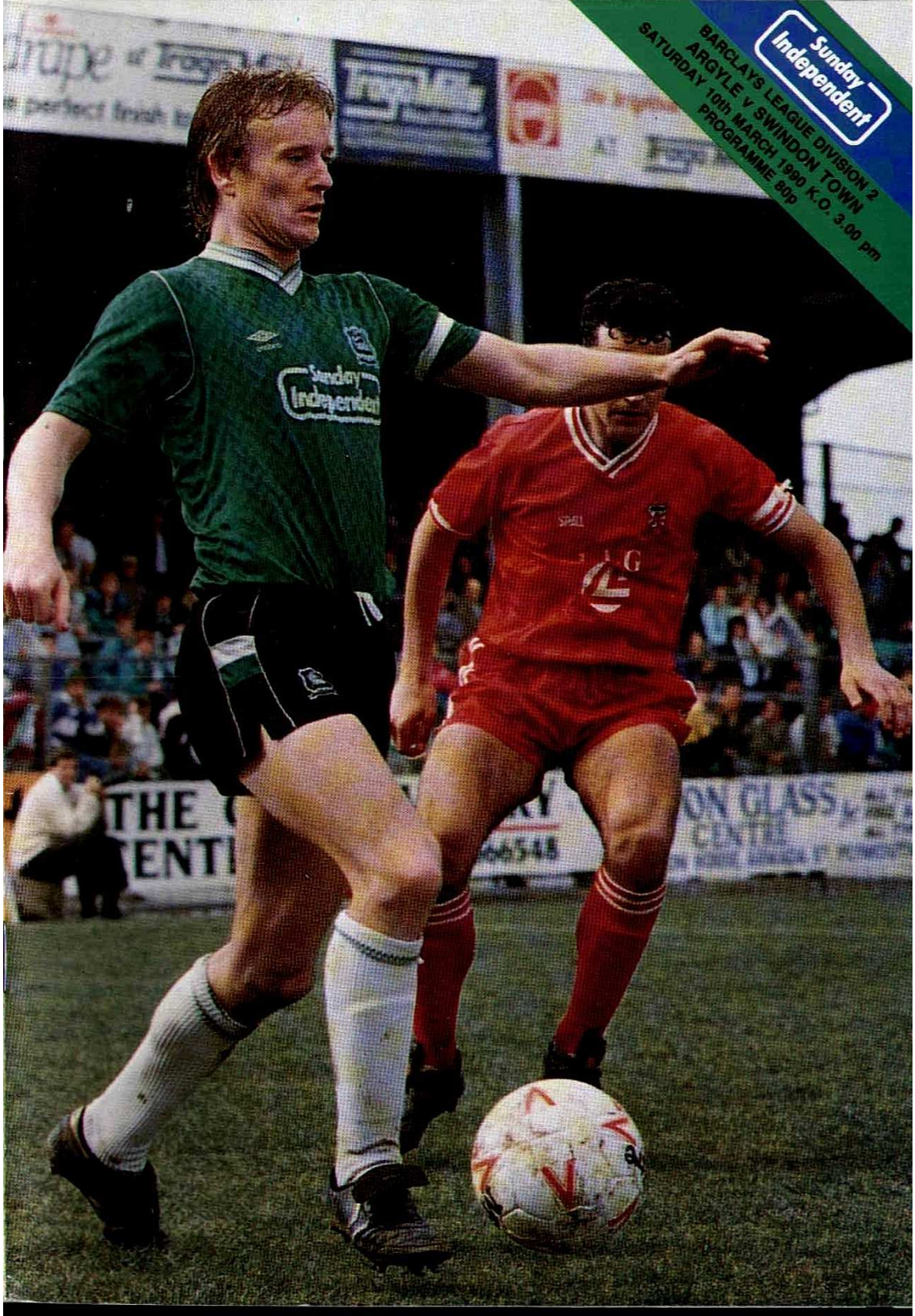


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THE DAVID KEMP COLUMN

Good afternoon and welcome.

First off I would like to thank everybody for the warm welcome back that I have received from everyone. I have been made to feel very welcome and its nice to be back in town again.

Last Saturday's match v Sunderland was a great start that everybody enjoyed, but it was just the first few steps on a very long road. What we are trying to achieve here is building a firm foundation so that success can be achieved over a long period of time, not just one game. What we want is the situation where winning is expected on a regular basis and not a reason for celebration when we win one game.

There is a lot of work to be done and the players are responding well.

As regards new signings, I am on the lookout for new players and I always will be. If the type of player I want is available, at the right price, I will bring him to Plymouth. But I see no point in signing players just for the sake of it. I would rather work with the players we have.

Welcome to Swindon — Ossie Ardiles brings his very good team to us today.

I have seen his team quite a few times this season and I have been very impressed.

People associate me with the Wimbledon style of play and I have been asked many questions about it and yes, I am an admirer of playing that way, but I am also an admirer of the OSSIE way. It's a super system and very effective and successful. But that's what football is all about. Competition - 2 teams going at it in the best way that they know how. Whichever way you play - if its done well its to be admired. Not right or wrong - just different.

Enjoy the match.

*David Kemp
Manager*

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P O I N T

What a wonderful start to David Kemp's managerial career at Home Park last Saturday. A 3-0 home win, fully deserved and an enthusiastic all round team performance, the like of which we haven't seen for many a day.

It was a treat to wake up on Sunday morning and read the nice things said in the newspapers about Argyle's first win for five months.

What with the storms, the Poll Tax, the mortgage rate going up and Argyle's miserable results sequence, these last four months have been pretty grim all round.

It has been nice to see the smiles around Home Park once more.

David Kemp becomes the 6th former player to become Manager since the War ended. The first was Jimmy Rae, then came Neil Dougall, Ellis Stuttard (twice), Bob Saxton and John Hore. Unlike David, all were defenders in their playing days. Jimmy Rae and Ellis Stuttard have sadly passed on.

Neil Dougall settled in Plymouth, is now retired and is a keen Argyle supporter being Vice-Chairman of our Vice-Presidents Club.

Bob Saxton is the only one of the group still in League football — he is Chief Coach

and Assistant Manager with Newcastle United.

John Hore still lives in Exeter, has his own Health and Fitness business in the City, and manages Torrington Football Club, who are members of the Premier Division of the Great Mills League.

The Reserves and P & D League teams made it a good all round day last Saturday. Playing in the Great Mills League Les Phillips Cup they beat Chippenham Town 6-2 after extra time to qualify for the Semi-Finals of that Competition, whilst at Harpers Park the A Team beat Torpoint Athletic 3-2.

It is good to report that two of our most promising youngsters, Martin Barlow and Paul Rowe, are back playing after injury and illness.

Both played in the match against Torpoint and had half a game each in Monday's South West Counties League game v Cardiff City.

Martin Barlow had a groin operation whilst Paul Rowe sustained a bad injury followed by glandular fever.

Now both are keen to show the new Manager that they are good prospects for the future.

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To stand or not to stand? — that is the question.

It is the big central issue facing all clubs in the Football League now that Lord Justice Taylor has successfully squashed the Government's obsessive identity card system which he deemed unworkable, just like the rest of us had done for months past.

Yet while the Government eagerly take up his suggestion for all-seater stadiums, seeing it as an alternative to the identity cards and as a means of softening the embarrassment, it would be as well if we weigh carefully, Lord Justice Taylor's actual words:

"There is not panacea which will achieve total safety and cure all problems of behaviour and crowd control. But I am satisfied that seating does more to achieve those objectives than any other measure".

So it is a QUALIFIED solution and no more. He is a man who has not reached the top of his profession without choosing his words carefully.

And ironically, within days of his report being published, I noticed a report about fighting breaking out for a few moments between rival Manchester fans at Old Trafford — IN THE SEATING AREA!

It has been known for fans to stand on their seats and trade punches, so clearly all-seater stadiums, while on the face of it desirable, are NOT the complete answer.

It is a strange feature among many British football watchers that they PREFER to stand than sit. It comes, one supposes, from many years of traditional spectating up and down the land.

If there is a backlash against all-seater stadiums, and the standing fraternity refuse to be seated, then football will be all the poorer. But then the Government aren't going to worry about that, are they? They're only concerned with being seen to be doing something to put the problem to rights, not with its effects on the game and the people who watch it.

That, perhaps, is the saddest feature of the wedge hooligans have been driven between millions and spectators and the authority of Westminster.

One thing the Government can do immediately is to change the ridiculous laws which allow clubs to offset against tax some of the cost of buying new players, but at the same time permits no relief for work on ground improvements.

That is a crazy situation, especially when one hears the Prime Minister droning on about excessive transfer fees.

There is no doubt that the people who run the game have shied away from being bold and providing new, up-to-date stadiums. Only when one travels abroad and sees how much better are their stadia, does one realise that we are still largely in the Dark Ages in this respect.

The way forward for a lot of clubs is undoubtedly to do what Scunthorpe have done and Southend and Luton are going to do — sell the ground for development, and build a completely new stadium elsewhere with the proceeds.

That WOULD be a step in the right direction.

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Having been involved with the Highland League in the North of Scotland for some seven years, I find it really exciting each week to see how well ex Highland League players are doing in our Football League. Just look at the exodus of Highland League players to have graced the Football League in the last decade: Ian Wilson (Elgin City to Leicester City 1979), Kevin Bremner (Keith - Colchester 1980 and now with Brighton), David Shearer (Inverness Clach to Middlesbrough 1978), Kevin MacDonald (Inverness Calton to Leicester City 1980), Des Bremner - brother of Kevin - (Deveronvale - Hibs - Aston Villa 1980), John Buchanan (Ross County - Northampton Town 1980), Colin Hendry (Keith - Dundee - Blackburn Rovers 1987), and at the end of last season John McGinly (Elgin City - Shrewsbury Town). This is just a selection from many others who have come across the border from the remote Highlands and made it in our Football League. What is even more remarkable is that the Highland League consists of only 18 Clubs, all part-time!

There is hardly a week that goes by without an ex Highland League player featuring among the headlines in our tabloids.

It is heartening to see that English Clubs look more and more to the Highland

League, a real hotbed of soccer talent, for their players of the future at under inflated transfer fees.

There is little doubt that any Club looking for new blood and very promising players can do no worse than search amongst the heather in the Glens and Highlands of Scotland.

It is also encouraging for these young players in the Highlands to be given the opportunity to show their paces at a higher level — and very few fail to make the step up a success.

There was a time when Scottish players were brought down to the West Country as youngsters — wee Alex Govan of Argyle is a brilliant example, then there were youngsters from Ireland brought over to Exeter City such as that grand stalwart Cecil Smythe, and of course there have been many others in the course of time, I am now just waiting to see when the next exodus of talent is brought into the West Country from o'er the Border or across the sea from the Emerald Isle — could there be another George Best over there just waiting to be snapped up, or another John Charles lurking amongst the Welsh valleys?

The talent is there — all that is needed is to find it and exploit it!!!

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David Kemp's appointment as Plymouth Argyle's new manager in succession to the sacked Ken Brown caused a few eyebrows to be raised among Home Park fans casting ever-more-nervous glances towards the Third Division. Whichever way you look at it, the Board's decision constitutes a gamble at a time of crisis. It is fervently to be hoped that the risk they have taken in plunging an untested manager in at the deep end pays off with Second Division survival. Kemp, of course, is no stranger to Home Park. It was here that he enjoyed one of his happiest and most productive spells in English soccer. The 37-year-old Harrow-born striker began his career with Crystal Palace, for whom he hit 10 goals in 35 games before moving on to Portsmouth, where his scoring ratio, of 30 in 64 outings, made him a firm favourite. A transfer to Carlisle (22 in 61) preceded his arrival, in 1979, at Home Park for a fee of £75,000 which, for eight years before the signing of Mark Smith, stood as a club record.

Kemp made more League appearances for Argyle than for any other English club, scoring 39 goals in 82 matches. In the 1980-81 season, he was idolised on the Home Park terraces, forming an attractive and efficient partnership up front with the much-underrated John Sims, grabbing 24 goals and finishing as the supporters' Player of the Year choice. Short spells with Gillingham and Brentford preceded trips to North America, where he gained

valuable coaching experience, and to Sweden, where he managed his first team. Kemp, however, retained fond memories of Argyle and links with their supporters, keeping the club's London-based contingent abreast of his foreign exploits by contributing to their Pasty News newsletter.

He returned to England to take over as youth team coach at Wimbledon and was subsequently elevated to assistant to manager Bobby Gould when Don Howe left to join Queens Park Rangers. Kemp applied for the Argyle job with the full blessing of Gould. It is devoutly to be wished that he has brought with him to Home Park an affinity for those qualities of aggression and commitment which typify Wimbledon's style. Only time will tell whether Kemp will re-introduce to Argyle the Plough Lane version of the long-ball game last seen at this ground in the latter days of Dave Smith.

Argyle fans wish their new manager well and will be delighted if he performs with as much success in his first season as another of the young brigade just starting out, Ossie Ardiles, his rival this afternoon. There is a new breed of emerging young managerial talent currently making great strides in the game: Ardiles, Oldham's Joe Royle, Bristol City's Joe Jordan, Cambridge United's John Beck. Let us hope to be able to add the name of Kemp to that list.

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The recent uncertainty and changes in the management personnel should not in any way affect the development of the schoolboy associate boys at the club.

These boys should be, and are, working at improving their skills and techniques, developing good habits and hopefully imbibing a more professional attitude through being associated with a Football League Club. It will be in the region of three years at the earliest, and more realistically, five years before, the successful ones are 'knocking' on the first team door.

In a couple of months we will be holding our annual trials for places on the Y.T.S. scheme. Already applications are coming in and during the school Easter holidays Geoff Crudgington and I will be looking at the main candidates. We normally have a variety of boys seeking to be trainee footballers from lads who have been with the club, in some form or other, for four or five years, to boys who have not played football much before but believe that the life of a professional footballer is an attractive one! I have to say that the latter kind of

applicant is, not surprisingly rarely if ever taken on.

It requires many years of hard work and constant practice to raise the standards to anything approaching the requirements of a Second Division Club. Sadly, the failure rate at all stages along the line, is high. Many associate schoolboys are not offered Y.T.S. places. Some boys who finish two years on the scheme are not subsequently offered full-time professional terms and even some who become professionals fail to make the first-team grade and drop into non-league football. Occasionally, there are rare cases of players who are rejected by League clubs, discover maturity and confidence in the non-league sphere and end up in the Football League for a second 'bite of the cherry'. Full marks to those who refuse to let initial failure daunt them, and instead, continue to work hard and believe in themselves.

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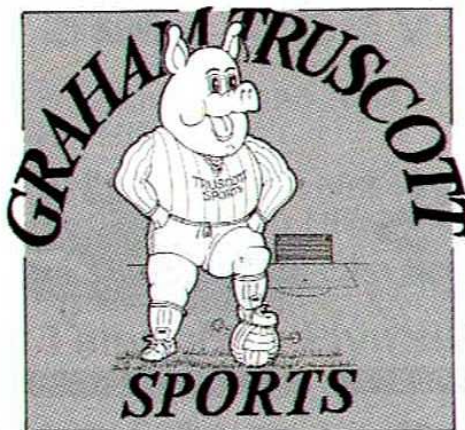
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DON ROGERS (Swindon Town and England Under 23)

Whenever Swindon Town supporters gather together to talk about old times, you can be sure that sooner or later the conversation will swing around to a memorable afternoon in 1969.

That was when Swindon — then a Third Division side — achieved arguably their greatest triumph.

For on a Wembley pitch that was badly cut up, and not at all like the green carpet we are all used to seeing, they overcame mighty Arsenal of the First Division to win the Football League Cup.

Not that they were the first. For the barrier had been broken two years earlier when Queens Park Rangers carried off the trophy against First Division West Bromwich Albion.

But that didn't detract in any way from Swindon's achievement in forcing one of the greatest upsets of any of the many Wembley finals.

And the man who that day inspired Swindon to great heights was a burly, powerful winger called Don Rogers.

Rogers was one of the most difficult men to shake off the ball, playing in the English game at the time.

He had been the envy of many a leading club but he was happy at the County Ground, and they were more than happy to hang on to him. And on that particular day, they were glad on both counts.

For Rogers was in irrepressible form. It had taken Swindon no fewer than 11 matches to reach Wembley, including a Herculean effort in the semi-finals when they finally overcame Burnley 3-2 in a

third match at The Hawthorns after the teams had finished 3-3 on aggregate after home and away ties.

Arsenal were firm favourites, of course. They had put out Liverpool on the way and although they had a hard time to dispose of Tottenham in the semi-finals by a 2-1 aggregate, only fools and Swindon diehards forecast an Arsenal defeat.

The fools and the diehards were soon celebrating and the sensible people looking for a place to hide.

Roger Smart put Swindon in front, but even this did not seem to pose any real threat. The Gunners looked unperturbed. And when Bobby Gould, their dashing centre-forward (now Wimbledon manager) plundered a typical goal, it was surely all set up for the Gunners to sweep on to success.

But no. This was when Rogers decided that the big clubs had had it too good for too long.

He restored Swindon's lead, and then after a breathtaking run which I shall always recall in my mind's eye — it was the sort of move you don't forget — he smashed in Swindon's third.

The amazing turnaround silenced the mass ranks of Gunners supporters at one end of the stadium and sent those at the other end delirious.

The underdogs — the heroes of the great ranks of the impartial on any English sporting occasion — had won, and handsomely.

And for many months, even years subsequently, Don Rogers was the toast of Swindon Town, and deservedly so. He had won a place in Wembley's illustrious history.

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Richard Davis
Born Plymouth. November 14th 1943

Richard attended a Plymouth Secondary School, and was a regular performer in the school's footballing teams. He left school in 1959, and was signed as an apprentice by Plymouth Argyle in November 1961 under manager Jack Rowley, making his debut in March 1963 at the Baseball Ground — Derby in a 2-3 defeat.

He played in the remaining eleven games to the end of that season, and completed another eleven appearances in 1963/4. He left Home Park during the close season to join Southampton who was then managed by Ted Bates, and had such players as Martin Chivers and Terry Paine on their staff. Made just one first team appearance for the Saints playing against Plymouth Argyle at Home Park, before being signed by Bristol City. During his stay at Ashton Gate he made eight first team appearances making his debut against Rotherham United. He served under two managers while at Bristol, Fred Ford and Alan Dicks, with Alan later leading the Robins into a successful period in Division 1.

His last club was the now defunct Barrow F.C. for whom he made 50 league appearances before returning to Plymouth for domestic reasons.

His outstanding memories were playing against Stanley Matthews at Home Park in only his second league game for Argyle, and against Tottenham Hotspur with Jimmy Greaves playing his first game for the Spurs on his return from Italy. Also at Ninian Park — Cardiff playing against John Charles who was then nearing the end of his footballing career.

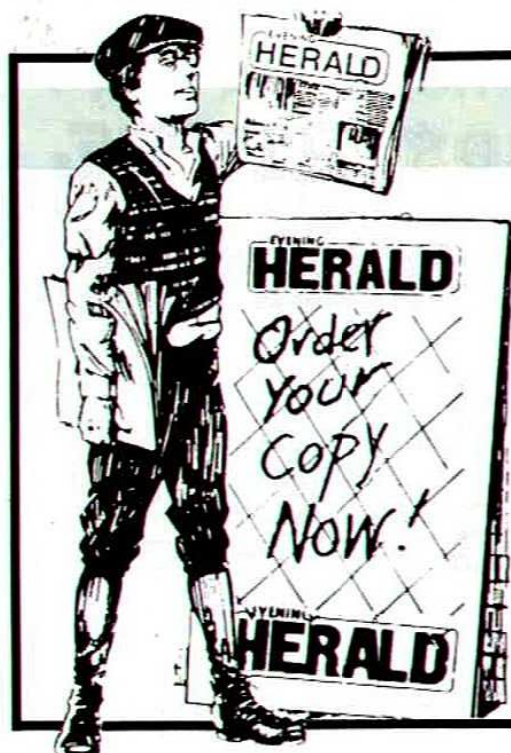
On his return to Plymouth he took up school teaching at South Trelawney Primary, and now teaches at Manadon Vale Primary.



Richard Davis

He works on the Youth Development side at Home Park, assisting Geoff Crudgington, and his past experience proves invaluable in this field.

Fred Lee



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ARGYLE WELCOME

Swindon Town returned to the Second Division in 1987/8 after an absence of twelve seasons. During their absence they have sampled Fourth Division soccer for the first time in their history. It was during that decline that Lou Macari the former Glasgow Celtic, Manchester United and Scotland International joined the County Ground staff as player manager.

He masterminded the phenomenal rise of the Wiltshire club with promotion in successive seasons. In 1985/6 Swindon Town set up a Football League record of 102 points as they raced away with the Fourth Division Championship, finishing the season eighteen points clear of second placed Chester City, their nearest challengers. The following season the club set about the task of mounting a challenge for Third Division honours. They were deprived of the championship by A.F.C. Bournemouth, and the runners up spot by Middlesbrough, so they had to battle their way through the nail biting play off system. Five matches ensued, two with Wigan Athletic, and two with Gillingham, with the deciding match at Selhurst Park against Crystal Palace. A 2-0 victory with both goals being scored by Steve White ensured 2nd Division soccer at the County Ground the following season.

After two seasons of consolidation the Swindon Town fans were bitterly disappointed when Lou Macari took over the vacant managers chair at West Ham United. He was followed by Ossie Ardiles, now well known in English football circles

as the little Argentinian who came to this country after Argentina's World Cup success, and lit up the English 1st Division with fellow countryman Ricky Villa with some sparkling displays which included a Cup Final and U.E.F.A. Cup Final winners medal. Ossie has installed his own brand of football at the County Ground this season, and it is being well approved by all the media. The club at the moment are in a very favourable position to challenge for a place in Division 1, we wish them well.

Their biggest success came in 1968/9 when they created one of the biggest upsets of the Football League Cup at Wembley by defeating Arsenal by 3-1.

In April 1951 the club staged one of the first games under floodlights playing against Bristol City in a friendly.

They were members of the old Southern League, and competition between them and Plymouth Argyle was always keenly contested.

In 1920 along with all other members of the Southern League they were invited by the Football Association to form Division 3.

A warm welcome is extended by Plymouth Argyle F.C. to all those Swindon Town supporters who have made the journey West to support their team, we hope you witness a fine contested game with the best side emerging victors.

Fred Lee

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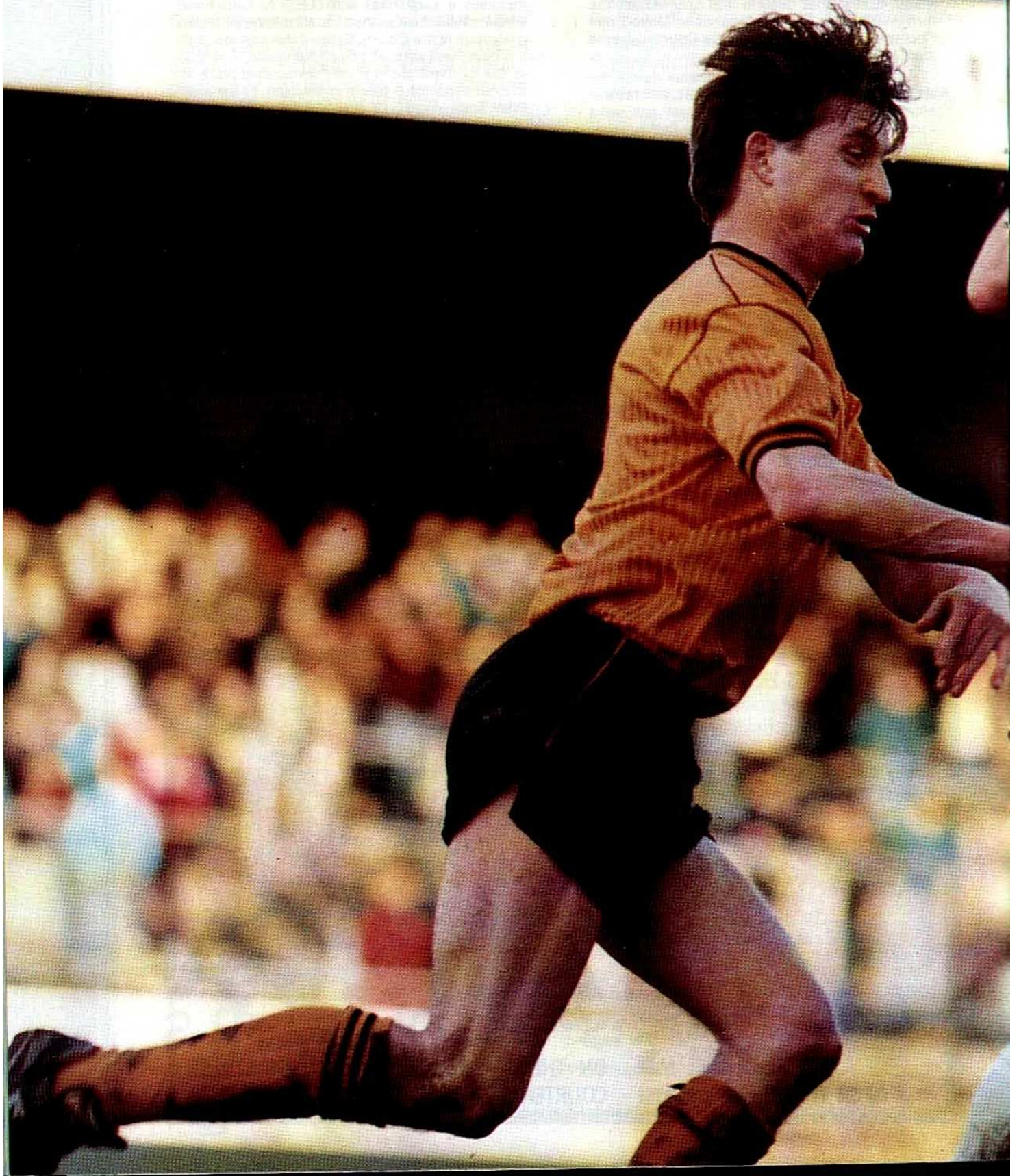
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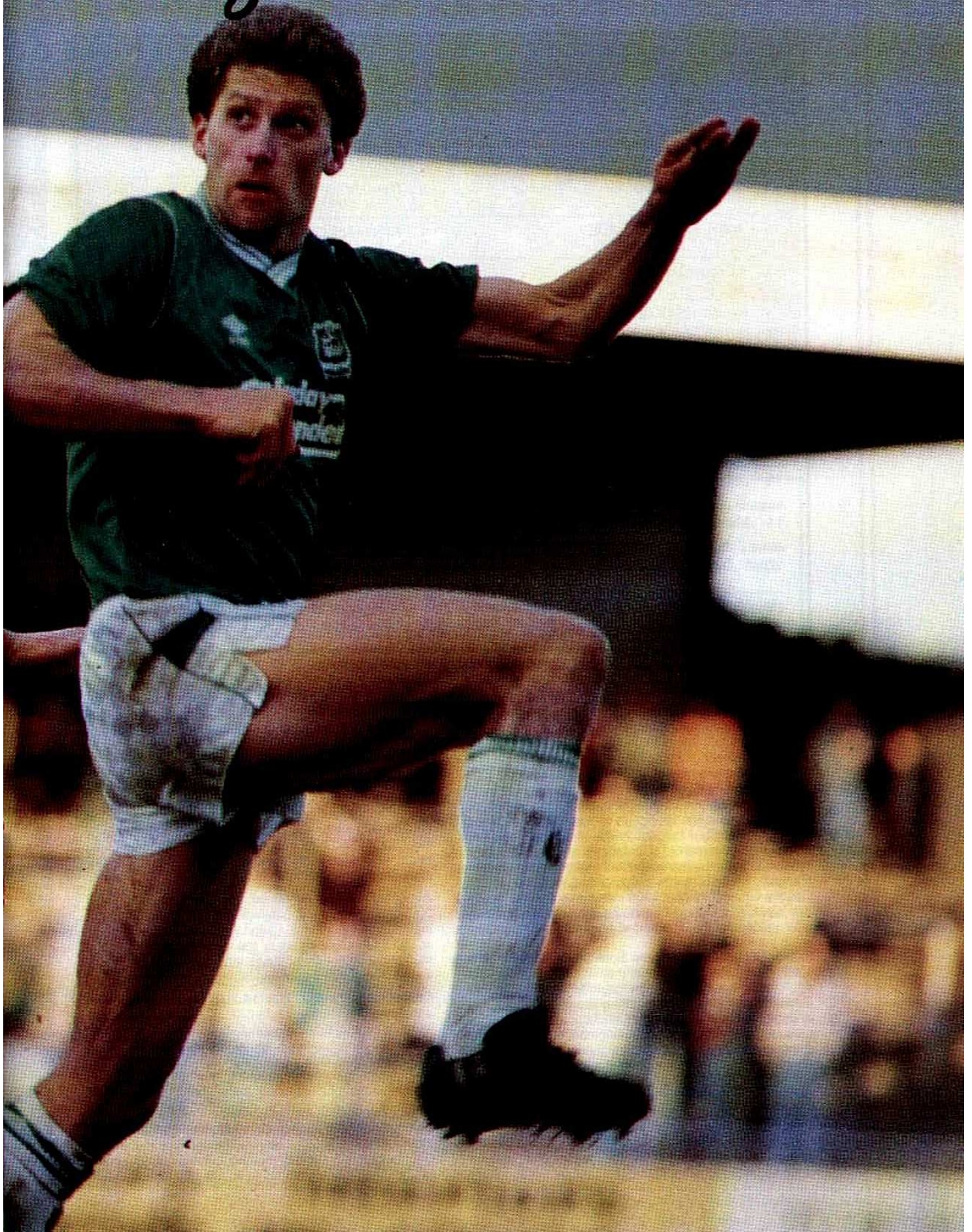
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Referee: Mr J.C. Deacon

Linesmen: Mr C. Hill (red trim) Mr D.S. Josham (yellow trim)

Oswaldo Ardiles (Manager). Born Argentina. August 3rd 1952. Joined Tottenham Hotspur with Ricardo Villa after Argentina's success in the World Cup. Had an influential career while at White Hart Lane winning an F.A. Cup winners medal in 1981, and a U.E.F.A. Cup medal in 1984. Went to France on loan to Paris St Germain during the Falklands conflict, but played for another six seasons for Spurs on his return. A clever midfield player who provided a great deal of entertainment at many 1st Division grounds. Had a loan spell at Blackburn Rovers before joining Queens Park Rangers for a short spell. Appointed manager at the County Ground in July 1989 when Lou Macari left to join West Ham United. Has introduced some of his own playing ideas at the club and at present are challenging for a promotion place.

Fraser Digby (Goalkeeper). Born Sheffield. April 23rd 1967. Height 6'1". This former Manchester United apprentice spent two loan periods at the County Ground before eventually joining the club for £25,000 in December 1986. Has made rapid progress, and has attracted attention from bigger clubs. A highly rated goalkeeper who has played for England Under 21.

Dave Hockaday (Defender). Born Billingham. November 9th 1957. Height 5'10". A former Blackpool player who moved to the County Ground in August 1983. After several seasons of playing in midfield or as a winger he made the successful transition to full back during Swindon's Fourth Division Championship season in 1985/6. Has made over 200 league appearances for the club.

Dave Kerslake (Midfield). Born London. June 19th 1966. Height 5'8". A recent signing from Queens Park Rangers, this England Under 21 player has fitted in the Swindon first team line up with great success.

Paul Bodin (Defender). Born Cardiff. September 13th 1964. Height 6'0". After making 68 league appearances for Cardiff City he moved into non-league football with Bath City. He later joined Newport County, but after a short stay was transferred to Swindon Town because of lack of finance at the now defunct Welsh club. Now a regular first team player with the Robins.

Alan McLoughlin (Midfield). Born Manchester. April 20th 1967. Height 5'9". Joined Manchester United from local football in 1984/5. Failed to gain a first team place at Old Trafford because of the strength of the playing staff at the club. Joined the Robins in August 1987. Had a loan spell with Torquay United.

Colin Calderwood (Defender). Born Stranraer. January 20th 1965. Height 6'0". Captained Swindon Town to promotion in consecutive seasons. Completed over 100 appearances for Mansfield Town before moving to the County Ground in July 1985. A regular first team choice who has made 168 league appearances for the Robins to the start of this season, which is a measure of his dedication and fitness.

Jon Gittens (Defender). Born Moseley. January 22nd 1964. Height 5'11". Made his league debut for Southampton in 1985/6, moving to the County Ground in July 1987 for a tribunal fixed fee of £40,000. Must



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SWINDON

Back Row:(Left to Right). Phil King, Dave Hockaday, John Cornwell, Duncan Shearer, Fraser Digby, Nicky Hammond, Tim Parkin, Adrian Viveash, Steve White, Tony Galvin.

Middle Row: (Left to Right). Chic Bates (Assistant Manager), John Trollope (Youth Team Manager), Tom Jones, Ross Maclaren, Jon Gittens, Neil Tomlinson, Leigh Barnard, Andy Rowland (Coach), Kevin Morris (Physiotherapist).

Front Row:(Left to Right). Paul Hunt, Steve Foley, Mark Jones, Colin Calderwood (Captain), Ossie Ardiles (Manager), Alan McLoughlin, Paul Bodin, Fitzroy Simpson, Nicky Summerbee.



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be rated as one of the best defenders playing in Division 2 at present, giving some outstanding performances since joining the club.

John Cornwell (Midfield). Born Bethnal Green. October 13th 1964. Height 6'0". This fair haired defender played 193 league games for Leyton Orient before moving to Tyneside in July 1987 for £50,000 to join Newcastle. Failed to settle and produce his best form at St James Park, he joined Swindon in December 1988 for £65,000.

Duncan Shearer (Forward). Born Fort William. August 28th 1962. Height 5'10". Joined Chelsea from Scottish non-league football, but after two appearances he joined Huddersfield Town where he became quite a prolific goalscorer. Was the subject of a quarter of a million pound transfer deal which was both a record for Huddersfield and Swindon. Was the clubs top league scorer with 14 goals last season.

Steve White (Forward). Born Chipping Sodbury. January 2nd 1959. Height 5'11". Was signed by Bristol Rovers from local club Mangotsfield, before a £200,000 fee saw him move to Luton Town. Failed to produce his early form, and was signed by Charlton Athletic. Later returned to Bristol Rovers but was allowed to join Swindon on a free transfer, which must represent one of the best transfers in the history of the club.

Ross MacLaren (Midfield). Born Edinburgh. April 14th 1962. Height 5'10". After a free transfer from Glasgow Rangers he spent four seasons with Shrewsbury.

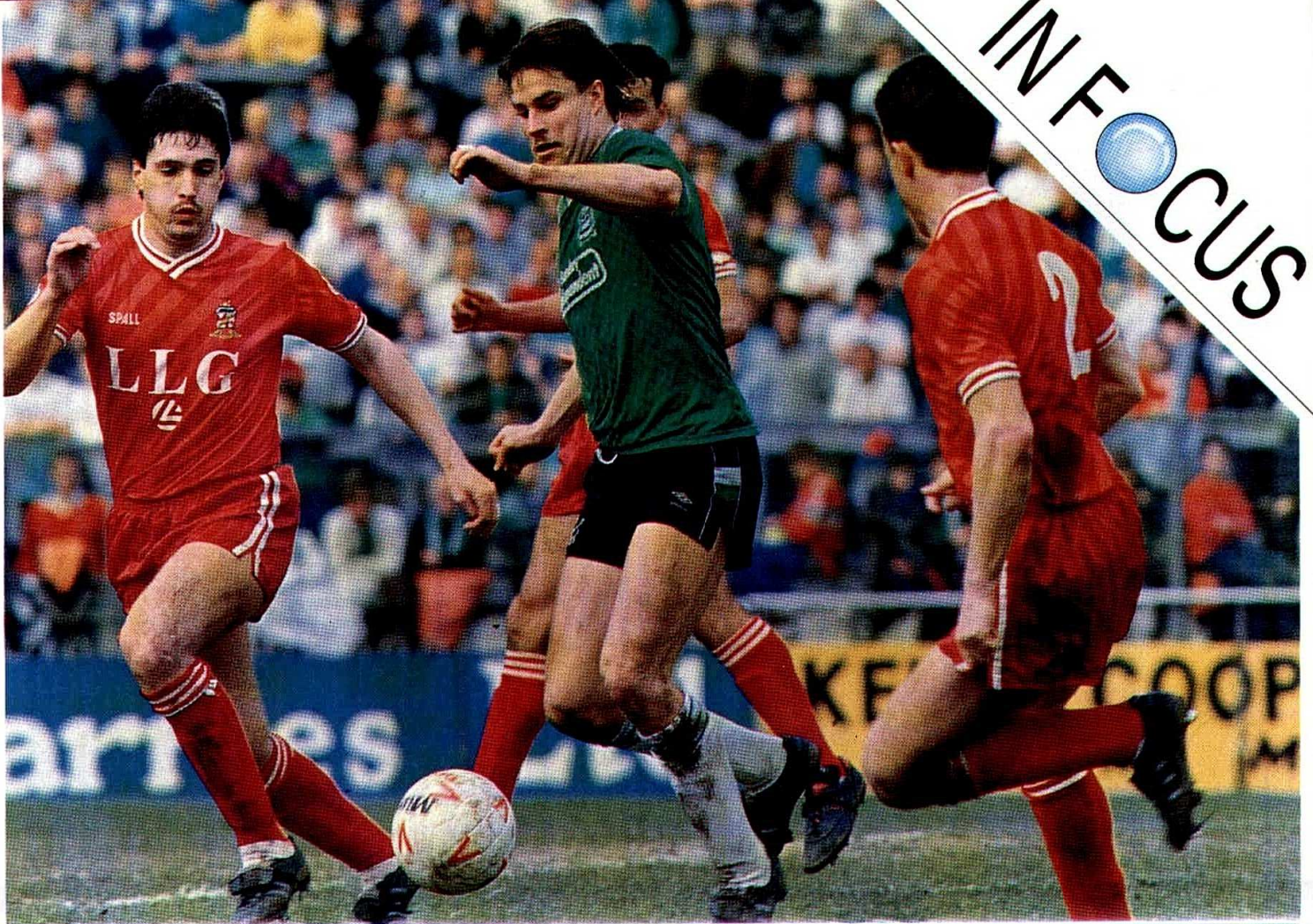
Joined Derby County in July 1985 for a tribunal fee of £67,500, and helped the Rams in their promotion from Division 3 to Division 1. Cost £140,000 when joining the Robins in August 1988.

Steve Foley (Midfield). Born Liverpool. October 4th 1962. Height 5'8". Steve moved South to join Swindon from Sheffield United in July 1987 for a £35,000 fee. This Liverpool born player began his career as an apprentice with the Anfield club, and made his league debut while on loan with Fulham. Given a free transfer by Liverpool he joined Grimsby Town in 1984, but one season later saw him join Sheffield United on a free transfer, make 54 appearances for the Bramall Lane Club.

Shaun Close (Forward). Born Islington. September 8th 1966. Height 5'8". Made three first team appearances for Tottenham before joining Bournemouth in March 1988 for £40,000. Joined the County Ground staff during the early part of this season with Manager Ardiles well remembering the young players potential while at Tottenham.

Tom Jones (Forward). Born Aldershot. October 7th 1964. Height 5'10". Moved to Aberdeen in 1987 from Weymouth making 28 appearances in his first season. Joined Swindon Town during the close season of 1987/8, and has made 40 league appearances for the club to the start of the present season.

Fred Lee



(Top)
Plymouth Argyle 4
Swindon Town 1
Sean McCarthy
taking on the Swindon
defence the last time
they played at Home Park.

(Bottom)
Nicky Marker just
about to score a
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The Reserves stormed into the quarter finals of the Great Mills League Les Phillips Cup with their second successive 5-1 home win in the competition. They followed up their demolition of Minehead in the first round by slamming five more goals past First Division club Westbury. A trip in the last eight to Chippenham was Argyle's reward for a heartening and attractive performance from a side containing no fewer than five apprentices. Darren Garner produced another eye-catching display in midfield while up front Owen Pickard shone throughout. He supplied the chance from which Peter Whiston fired the Reserves ahead and then got in on the act himself in following a 24th minute solo run. Westbury keeper Ian Harris could only parry a fierce drive from Stuart Casey 11 minutes later and apprentice Michael Evans was on hand to snaffle the first of his two goals. A Graham Kimber goal on the stroke of half-time threatened a Westbury revival but second half strikes from Garner (60th minute) and Evans (70) extended Argyle's dominance.

Back in the League, the Reserves became the latest victims for table-topping Mangotsfield, who secured a 2-1 win at Home Park. Defensive hesitation allowed Andy Lohmann to give the Bristol-based side a 30th minute lead although Argyle responded swiftly to equalise four minutes later when visiting keeper Mark Stevens was deceived by a centre from Jason Rowbotham which took a gust of wind on it's way past him. Argyle had won their previous home match 7-0, but on this occasion, left their shooting boots at home. Mangotsfield cashed in on some wasteful finishing from the home side to grab a 55th minute winner through Carmelo Micciche.

John Harrison

GREAT MILLS LEAGUE		
AUGUST		
Sat 19	Radstock	A 1-1
Tue 22	Bideford	H 2-3
SEPTEMBER		
Sat 2	Dawlish	A 2-0
Tue 5	Barnstaple	A 2-0
Sat 9	Weston-Super-Mare	H 2-2
Tue 12	Saltash	H 1-1
Sat 16	Frome	A 1-0
Mon 18	Liskeard	H 1-2
Sat 23	Clevedon	H 2-2
Tue 26	Exmouth	H 0-1
Sat 30	Mangotsfield	A 1-2
OCTOBER		
Sat 7	Paulton	A 1-2
Wed 11	Torrington	A 2-4
Sat 14	Bristol Manor Farm	H 3-1
Wed 18	Chard	A 0-0
Sat 21	Frome	H 2-1
Sat 28	Welton	A 1-0
NOVEMBER		
Sat 4	Swanage	A P
Sat 11	Barnstaple	H 4-0
Sat 18	Chippenham	A 1-2
Sat 25	Bideford	A 0-1
DECEMBER		
Sat 2	Dawlish	H 2-1
Tue 5	Liskeard	A 0-0
Mon 11	Taunton	A 2-2
Sat 16	Radstock	H 1-1
Fri 22	Tiverton	H P
Sat 30	Weston-Super-Mare	A 1-1
JANUARY		
Sat 6	Swanage	H P
Sat 13	Clevedon	A 3-3
Sat 20	Welton	H 5-0
Fri 26	Taunton	H P
FEBRUARY		
Sat 3	Frome	A P
Sat 10	Chard	H 7-0
Sat 17	Exmouth	A P
Sat 24	Mangotsfield	H 1-2
MARCH		
Sat 17	Chippenham	H
Sat 24	Saltash	A
Sat 31	Bristol Manor Farm	A
APRIL		
Sat 7	Paulton	H
Sat 14	Tiverton	A
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MAURICE TADMAN (Argyle)

Signed for Argyle in August, 1947 from Charlton Athletic, where he had made only 3 appearances, but how all that changed after he homed into Home Park, and where he remained until 1955. He was the typical conventional centre forward, with the ability of being able to stamp his authority on the game, culminating in some lethal finishing, both clinical and skilful. He was a natural leader of the forward line, feeding his wingers - Alex Govan and Gordon Astall - with through passes behind the full backs, and then ready to bang in their centres! He did it with style, strength and deadly accuracy, either in the air or on the ground.

He was instrumental in helping the brilliant Argyle side achieve promotion in 1951/52. He was Argyle's leading marksman in seasons 1950/51 (23 goals), 1951/52 (27 goals), 1952/53 (15 goals), and 1953/54 (11 goals), eventually losing his place to another

big burly centre forward - Neil Langman.

During the period that Maurice was banging in the goals, were the real Argyle glory years spearheaded by Manager Jimmy Rae, and what a side he had in those days — Neil Dougall, Jack Chisholm, Alex Govan, Gordon Astall, Pat Jones, and Welsh International 'keeper Bill Shortt to name just a few of the Argyle stars of that glorious era. It may be significant to reflect that when the great Argyle side began to break up, the downfall of Argyle commenced.

During his spell with Argyle, Maurice made 240 appearances, scoring 107 goals. He left Home Park for Northern Ireland, to play for Belfast Distillery, which is where the curtain finally came down on his illustrious playing career.

He is always one of the players that fans will always remember, a character, one of the Argyle greats. His contribution to a successful Argyle side will be with us for a long time.

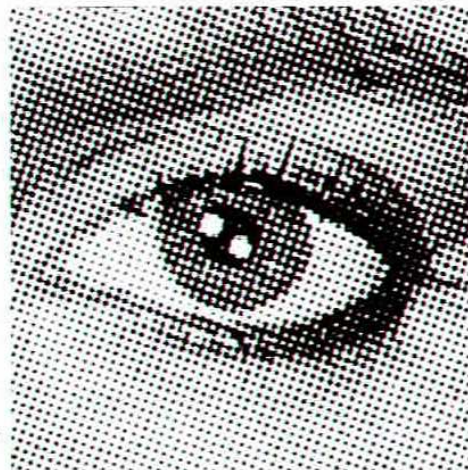
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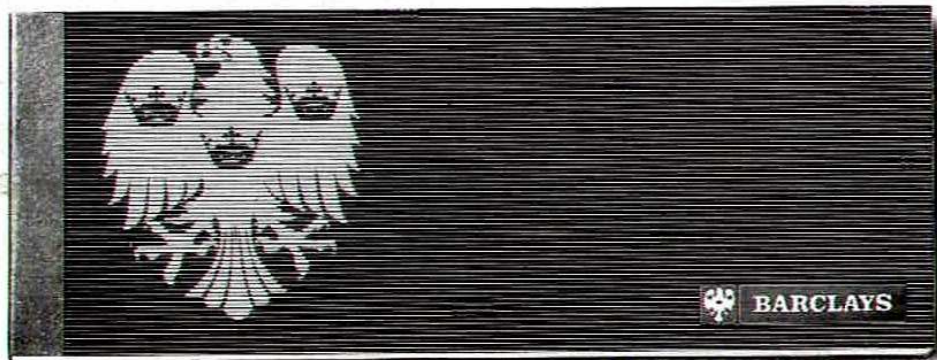
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	HOME			Goals			AWAY			Goals			Pts
	P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A		
Leeds United.....	32	12	4	0	33	12	5	5	6	23	25	60	
Sheffield Utd.....	31	9	5	2	26	17	7	6	2	23	15	59	
Swindon.....	32	9	4	3	38	20	6	5	5	21	23	54	
Oldham.....	31	10	6	0	32	16	3	6	6	15	20	51	
Newcastle.....	31	10	3	2	35	22	3	8	5	22	18	50	
Wolves.....	32	8	4	4	26	16	5	6	5	24	25	49	
Sunderland.....	32	8	6	2	29	19	4	6	6	20	29	48	
Blackburn.....	32	5	7	4	32	27	6	7	3	24	21	47	
Port Vale.....	32	8	7	1	26	12	3	4	9	17	26	44	
West Ham.....	31	8	4	4	28	17	3	6	6	17	21	43	
Oxford.....	31	7	5	4	27	19	5	2	8	16	22	43	
Ipswich.....	30	7	7	1	27	16	4	3	8	17	30	43	
Bournemouth.....	32	8	4	4	26	22	3	5	8	21	29	42	
Leicester.....	32	7	5	4	21	19	4	4	8	23	31	42	
Watford.....	31	8	2	5	25	17	2	7	7	13	21	39	
Portsmouth.....	32	3	8	5	25	25	5	5	6	16	21	37	
WBA.....	32	4	6	6	28	27	4	6	6	21	24	36	
Brighton.....	32	7	4	5	17	14	3	2	11	21	32	36	
Plymouth.....	30	6	5	4	23	16	3	2	10	18	29	34	
Hull.....	31	3	5	7	14	22	4	8	4	23	23	34	
Middlesbrough.....	32	7	3	5	22	17	2	4	11	15	30	34	
Bradford City.....	32	6	5	5	19	17	0	7	9	14	31	30	
Barnsley.....	31	4	6	6	16	19	3	3	9	15	37	30	
Stoke.....	32	4	7	5	18	19	1	5	10	8	30	27	

Great Mills Western League

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Mangotsfield.....	29	21	4	4	67	26	67
Liskeard.....	26	20	3	3	61	20	63
Tiverton.....	27	18	5	4	72	35	59
Taunton.....	27	18	5	4	53	31	59
Exmouth.....	22	14	3	5	36	18	45
Weston.....	26	12	6	8	57	37	42
Swanage.....	25	12	5	8	51	42	41
Plymouth Argyle.....	29	10	10	9	51	35	40
Saltash.....	26	10	9	7	35	29	39
Clevedon.....	28	10	8	10	44	44	38
Chippenham.....	28	11	5	12	27	32	36
Paulton.....	28	11	4	13	34	33	37
Dawlish.....	28	10	7	11	43	45	37
Bristol MF.....	27	9	8	10	30	39	35
Radstock.....	31	7	11	13	39	59	32
Bideford.....	28	6	12	10	26	44	30
Barnstaple.....	30	7	8	15	30	58	29
Torrington.....	27	5	7	15	37	55	22
Chard.....	27	4	10	13	30	53	22
Frome.....	29	1	9	19	28	60	12
Welton.....	30	1	5	24	21	78	8

Man in the Middle

John Deakin comes from South Glamorgan and is a Warrant Officer in the R.A.F. He is married with two children.

John started refereeing in the R.A.F. in 1966. He progressed through the South Midlands League and the Football Combination to the Football League Linesman's List in 1980.

John was the linesman for the 1981 U.E.F.A. Cup match between Boavista and Atletico Madrid, for the 1986 U.E.F.A. Cup match between F.K. Gothenburg and T.K. Ulmaq and the 1987 U.E.F.A. Cup match between F.C. Bruges and Borussia Dortmund.

He refereed the 1986 F.A. Challenge Vase semi-final and the 1987 F.A. Challenge Trophy semi-final.

John's interests are classical music, steam locomotives and railways. He also enjoys cricket and running.

FIRST TEAM FIXTURES

Date	v	Opposition	Result	Att	1
Aug 19	H	Oxford United	2-0	8,509	Wilmot
Aug 22	A	Cardiff City 1R1L-LC	3-0	2,620	Wilmot
Aug 26	A	West Ham United	2-3	20,231	Wilmot
Aug 29	H	Cardiff City 1R2L-LC	0-2	5,728	Wilmot
Sep 2	H	Barnsley	2-1	7,708	Wilmot
Sep 9	A	Oldham Athletic	2-3	4,940	Wilmot
Sep 12	A	Portsmouth	3-0	6,865	Wilmot
Sep 16	H	Sheffield United	0-0	10,884	Wilmot
Sep 19	A	Arsenal 2R1L-LC	0-2	26,865	Wilmot
Sep 23	A	Wolverhampton Wdrs	0-1	13,762	Wilmot
Sep 26	A	Swindon Town	0-3	6,862	Wilmot
Sep 30	H	Brighton & Hove Albion	2-1	7,510	Wilmot
Oct 3	H	Arsenal 2R2L-LC	1-6	17,360	Wilmot
Oct 7	H	Stoke City	3-0	6,940	Wilmot
Oct 14	A	Middlesbrough	2-0	15,003	Wilmot
Oct 17	H	Leicester City	3*-1	10,037	Wilmot
Oct 21	A	Ipswich Town	0-3	10,362	Wilmot
Oct 28	H	Blackburn Rovers	2-2	6,676	Wilmot
Nov 1	A	Leeds United	1-2	26,791	Wilmot
Nov 4	H	Bradford City	1-1	7,152	Wilmot
Nov 11	A	Watford	2-1	9,501	Wilmot
Nov 18	A	Sunderland	1-3	15,033	Wilmot
Nov 25	H	Port Vale	1-2	7,034	Wilmot
Nov 29	A	West Ham United ZC-2	2-5	5,409	Wilmot
Dec 2	A	Oxford United	2-3	4,403	Wilmot
Dec 10	H	Portsmouth	0-2	9,988	Wilmot
Dec 16	A	Newcastle United	P		
Dec 26	H	West Bromwich Albion	2-2	9,872	Wilmot
Dec 29	H	Hull City	1-2	8,588	Wilmot
Jan 1	A	AFC Bournemouth	2-2	6,939	Wilmot
Jan 6	H	Oxford United FAC-3	0-1	7,384	Wilmot
Jan 13	H	West Ham United	1-1	11,671	Wilmot
Jan 20	A	Barnsley	1-1	7,224	Wilmot
Feb 3	H	Wolverhampton Wdrs	0-1	10,873	Wilmot
Feb 10	A	Sheffield United	0-1	13,530	Wilmot
Feb 17	H	Oldham Athletic	P		
Feb 24	A	Port Vale	0-3	7,254	Wilmot
Mar 3	H	Sunderland	3-0	7,299	Wilmot
Mar 7	A	Brighton & Hove Albion			
Mar 10	H	Swindon Town			
Mar 17	A	Stoke City			
Mar 20	H	Middlesbrough			
Mar 24	A	Leicester City			
Mar 31	H	Ipswich Town			
Apr 7	A	Blackburn Rovers			
Apr 10	H	Leeds United			
Apr 14	H	AFC Bournemouth			
Apr 16	A	West Bromwich Albion			
Apr 21	H	Newcastle United			
Apr 24	A	Hull City			
Apr 28	H	Watford			
May 5	A	Bradford City			

Home Fixtures in Bold + indicates Player Substituted Scorers name in Bold

1989-90 RESULTS · ATTENDANCES · APPEARANCES · GOALSCORERS

2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	14
Brown	Brimacombe	Marker	Burrows	Smith	Byrne	McCarthy	Tynan	Thomas	Stuart ²	Hodges	Campbell
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Brown	Brimacombe	Marker	Burrows	Smith	Byrne	McCarthy	Tynan	Thomas	Stuart ²	Rowbotham	Hodges
Brown	Brimacombe	Marker	Burrows	Smith	Byrne +	McCarthy	Tynan	Thomas	Stuart	Hodges	Campbell
Brown	Brimacombe	Marker	Burrows	Smith	Byrne +	McCarthy ¹	Tynan +	Thomas	Stuart	Campbell ¹	Hodges
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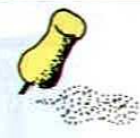
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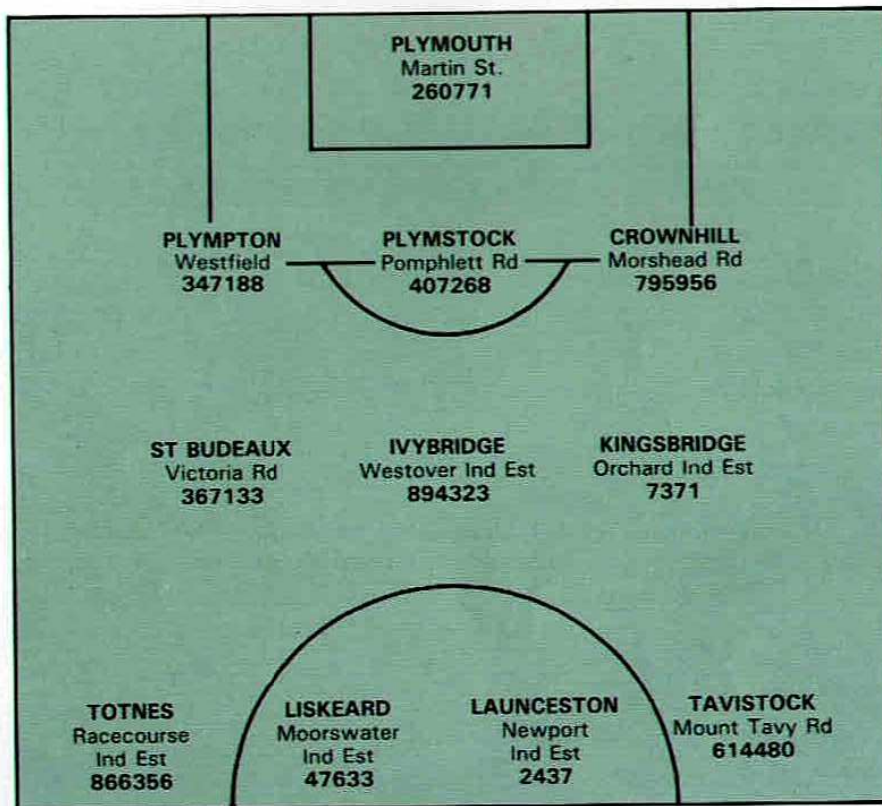
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