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# THE MANAGER



## Acting Manager Lennie Lawrence writes...

It's great to be back with a home win in the League which was our first since we beat Chesterfield 2-0 on November 12th and I'm now hoping we can forget those weeks when nothing seemed to go right in front of our own supporters.

Swindon, today's visitors, are in the middle of the table and we can expect them to be a very hard team to beat but after Oxford there's no reason why we can't keep on the victory trail.

Just a word or two about the recent changes since the arrival of Malcolm Allison. He will have overall responsibility for team selection tactics etc and has already had a look at most of the players on our books and by today's match will have seen all of them.

I shall still be on the bench and he and I will liaise to the fullest extent for two heads are clearly better than one. We are both determined to do everything in our power to avoid the Big Drop and I believe we can do it.

I shall have charge of the normal administration matters and this seems a sensible division of the work load.

The arrival of Malcolm has had the effect of taking some of the pressure off the players and this is a good thing for with bad results at home in the past and after the home defeat against Lincoln it was getting to the stage with some of the players that they were nervous about playing before a home crowd.

It's been pleasing to me to see how the three new signings have settled down. Both Keith Fear and Steve Perrin have found the net twice and Tyrone James is proving he has a lot to offer the team.

All our energies now are concentrated on getting enough points to lift the club out of the relegation zone and as I am writing before the away match with Portsmouth that means we have a maximum of 11 games left.

If the lads can get us out of trouble them I'm hoping I shall be able to take them away for a few days in the sun but there are no hard plans yet and I shan't approach the Directors till we are certain of being in the Third Division next season.

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# VISITORS

## SWINDON

**STEVE AIZLEWOOD** (Centre Half). Began his League career at the age of 16 with Newport County Football Club, his home town Club for whom he made 191 League appearances before his transfer to Swindon in March 1976. He won four Welsh under-23 caps with Newport and had made 43 League appearances for Swindon to the end of last season.

**JIMMY ALLAN** (Goalkeeper). Born in Inverness he was signed from Brora Rangers in October 1970 as an apprentice. Signed on full forms in July 1971, he made his League debut two months later, but had only occasional spells as first choice until last season by the end of which, he had made a total of 114 League appearances.

**TREVOR ANDERSON** (Forward). Comes from Belfast and started his career with Portadown before transferring to Manchester United for whom he made 13 League appearances. Joined Swindon in November 1974 and has played a number of times for Northern Ireland being a regular cap last season. Very much a player of pace and skill on the ball he had made 101 League appearances for Swindon to the end of last season.

**DAVID CUNNINGHAM** (Midfield or Forward). A Scot from Kirkcaldy his first Club was Breehin City for whom he made 44 League appearances before moving to Southend in 1973. He made 56 League appearances for Southend and spent a period on loan to Hartlepool before signing for Swindon on a free transfer in the 1977 close season.

**COLIN PROPHETT** (Defender). Comes from Crewe where he played as an amateur for Alexandra, but made his professional debut and a total of 113 League appearances for Sheffield Wednesday before moving to Norwich City in 1973. He played 34 First Division games there before his transfer to Swindon in September 1974, since then his League appearances total 112 to the end of last season. Usually plays as sweeper from which position he captained the team during 1976/77.

**KENNY STROUD** (Midfield). Although London born he served his apprenticeship at Swindon becoming a professional in 1970, but had to wait several seasons to gain a regular first team place. Has played as a central defender but is usually found in midfield from where he scored a spectacular goal against Everton last season which was captured by TV cameras. Had made 120 League appearances to the end of last season.

**JOHN TROLLOPE** (Full-Back). The Club's longest serving player he is a former apprentice and signed professional in August 1960. Also holds the club appearance record with 698 League appearances to the end of last season and around 800 in all competitions. Now the only playing survivor with the club of the promotion winning sides of 1963 and 1969 the latter of which also beat Arsenal in the League Cup Final at Wembley. Born a few miles from the ground one of the most loyal and hardworking players in the game.

**CHRIS KAMARA**. Born in Middlesbrough and signed Schoolboy forms for that Club. Joined Portsmouth as an apprentice and signed a full professional contract in December 1975. He made 64 first team appearances for Portsmouth signing for Swindon in August 1977.

**CHRIS GUTHRIE** (Forward). Born in Newcastle, but only made five appearances for his home town Club before moving to Southend where he made 107 League appearances and in two seasons was leading goalscorer and voted player of the year for that Club. Transferred to Sheffield United during the 1975 close season, but although he made 58 League appearances in his two seasons there he did not settle well and moved to Swindon in July 1977. He also played for England Schoolboys.

**RAY McHALE** (Midfield). A native of Sheffield he played 123 League games for Chesterfield before moving to Halifax Town in October 1974. In almost two years there he did not miss a match, making 86 League appearances and was leading goalscorer in 1975/76. Transferred to Swindon in September 1976 he made 41 League appearances to the end of last season and likes to score goals coming from positions in midfield.

**JOHN McLAUGHLIN** (Midfield or Full-Back). Born in London and served his apprenticeship with Colchester United for whom he made 66 League appearances. He has played for England at Youth level and attracted a £25,000 fee when signing for Swindon in December 1973. A regular member of the team since then he was originally a full-back and spent most of last season in that position, but has also spent some quite lengthy periods in midfield. Made 136 League appearances to the end of last season.

**DAVID MOSS** (Forward). Signed from non-league football with Witney, his local team, he made his League debut for Swindon in April 1972 and has since played 172 League games to the end of last season. Last season's leading goalscorer and player of the year he is an orthodox winger and although usually played on the left can play on either side.

**ANDREW FORD** (Defender). A Somerset lad, born in Minehead, he played for Somerset Schoolboys and Youths and Minehead in the Western League whilst still at school. Upon leaving school aged 17, he joined A.F.C. Bournemouth as a professional and stayed with them for two years. At 19 he joined Southend United and became a regular member of their first team, winning the player of the year award for that Club last season. He was also in the Fourth Division team selected by the P.F.A. after four years with Southend. He joined Swindon in August 1977. He made 135 First Team appearances for Southend.

# LINE-UP



From l/r — Back row: Micky French, Kenny Stroud, Richard Brinkworth, Russell Lewis, Gus Gilligan, Paul Collicutt.  
 Middle row: Jimmy Allan, John Trollope, Colin Prophett, Chris Kamara, Chris Guthrie, Steve Aizlewood, Andy Ford, Kevin Roberts.  
 Front row: Dabid Moss, David Cunningham, John McLaughlin, \* Trevor Anderson, Ray McHale, Howard Goddard (transferred).

\* Transferred to Peterborough.

# FLASH BACK

## ARGYLE RECORD V SWINDON Argyle scores first

Season	Home	Away
1928-29	3-0	0-0
29-30	5-0	2-1
1950-51	5-1	2-1
51-52	3-0	2-2
56-57	1-0	3-0
57-58	2-2	0-1
58-59	3-2	4-3
1963-64*	2-4	1-2
64-65*	2-1	3-2
68-69	2-1	0-3
1974-75	4-3	0-2
77-78	Today	1-3

\* Division Two, rest Division Three

	P	W	D	L	F	A
Home	32	21	9	2	70	27
Away	33	8	6	19	36	66

The sides have met twice in the F.A. Cup

Season 1903-04 won 2-1

Season 1908-09 won 1-0

but have not met in the League Cup.

**VISITORS SWINDON TOWN**  
**SEASON 1958-59**  
 Home won 3-2

Fourteen games had been played when Swindon visited Home Park on October 11th 1958, with only one defeat. Argyle must have started odds-on to beat Swindon! A large crowd of 26,501 saw two

teams line up as follows:

**ARGYLE:** Barnsley, Robertson, Dougall, Johnny Williams, Wyatt, J. Williams, Anderson, Gauld, Baker, Carter, Penk.

**SWINDON:** Burton, Neal, Bingley, Morgan, Jack Owen, Corbett, Micklewright, Kelly, Edwards, Chamberlain.

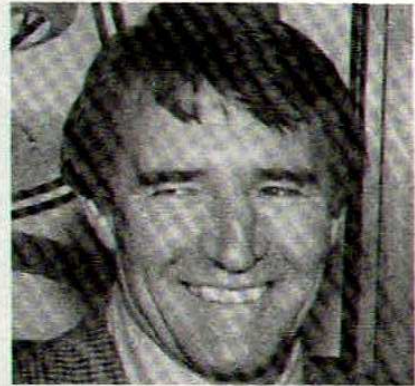
Jimmy Gauld Argyle's great inside forward was soon in action. Running from the half-way line, after 20 minutes, a goal looked certain but a crashing tackle from Vincent Jack in the box and it was a penalty. Wilf Carter, Jimmy's mate converted right from the kick off. Swindon were level when Andy Micklewright scored but Jimmy Gauld scored Argyle's second two minutes later with an angled drive. 2-1 to Argyle at half time. In the 67th minute Bob Edwards again levelled with a very soft lob. It was left to Jimmy Gauld to win the match in those few seconds allowed for injuries. Again collecting the ball at half-way, he dribbled past man-after-man and then shot. Sam Burton got a touch but Jimmy followed up to score!!

This programme series is written by Plymouth Football archivist Don Smith of 15, Abingdon Road, Plymouth, who still urgently needs early football items i.e. handbooks, programmes, photo's, cuttings, etc. for research. All letters acknowledged.

*Don Smith*

# IT'S MY

## Consulting Manager



## Malcolm Allison writes..

### "The Potential Is Still Here!"

It's too early for me to form fixed judgements about where Argyle have gone wrong and what should be done to put it right but I certainly would not have rung up Robert Daniel and offered my services for the rest of the season if I hadn't felt confident that the big drop into Division Four could be avoided.

Thirteen years ago when I was managing Argyle I thought the club was in the unique position of being in the centre of a vast area where they just HAD to attract big crowds if only they could hit the winning streak. And today I am certain that the potential of support for a first-class team is as good as anywhere in the country and far better than most.

However, this is not the time to talk about bigger things. The task ahead is clear and simple. The team have to be encouraged to fight their way out of the danger zone and I agree with Lennie Lawrence that they have the ability to do it.

The situation is not hopeless in my opinion. Frankly I think it is possible to improve the tactics and get some important motivation going and I can tell you that I personally get a lot of motivation myself when my team is winning.

There is a lot to build on and I am very happy to take over the coaching and team selection and I know that I will get all the backing I need from Lennie and the rest of his managerial team. After all, they are the people who are best able to feed me with the background and local knowledge that I need.

Some people have obviously been puzzled by the poor record the team have at home compared with an away record which is not at all bad.

Well, things are changing. It is no longer the case that teams playing at home can be expected to have a big advantage. Teams are better organised defensively these days which makes it more difficult to win at home and when things go wrong players tend to react psychologically.

Counting today's match with Swindon we now have six home matches left and I appeal to the fans to come out in their thousands and give the lads that vocal support which makes so much difference.

There were 20,000 and 25,000 gates when I was here last and it would be terrific for the team if we could have big crowds willing the lads on.

I want to see a victory spirit in the lads and that will come more quickly when the fans react positively as well.

# OPINION

# ACTION



NEAR THING! A shot from STEVE PERRIN hits the upright with keeper Roy Burton well beaten (Argyle v Oxford).

IT'S THERE! Gary Megson follows BRIAN JOHNSON'S goal bound winner into the net!



# CHATTER

I suppose there has never been such a period of changes in the history of Plymouth Argyle as that in the last five weeks of our 75th year. For example:

Shock announcement that Mike Kelly has resigned as manager.

Stepping into the breach comes Lennie Lawrence as caretaker while the directors decide to advertise the post.

Shock news that captain John Craven and Terry Austin are leaving — and John Delve, too.

New signings: Keith Fear, Steve Perrin and Tyrone James.

Shock announcement No. 3: Big Mal Allison is back as consultant manager while Len Lawrence remains to work with him.

Shock No.4: Directors Brian Ford, Peter Skinnard (vice-chairman) are re-elected by the Shareholders Association but neither could get the support of a MAJORITY of those present. The abstentions are explained by chairman Tom Bailey as showing a 'lack of confidence in the Board.'

This, of course, is old history for many of you but there are thousands of Argyle supporters all over Britain and hundreds overseas who can only be kept in the picture through this programme.

It will be the wish of every Argyle fan that the last 40 days or so which have been traumatic in a soccer sense will lead to the achievement of the goal we all passionately desire — a guarantee of Third Division football here next season and something to celebrate in the next twelve months.

★ ★ ★ ★

Meanwhile Argyle are holding an extraordinary meeting of shareholders next month to appoint Mr Stafford Williams a director. Under the Articles of Association he should have retired last November but the Board want him to remain for a further three years. Frankly, I was disbelieving when I learnt that Stafford was 70. He's as lively-looking as anyone on the Home Park scene.

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Talking of retirements I was delighted to read that the club gets backing from the Archdeacon of Plymouth, the Venerable Frederick Matthews who retires in May at the age of 65. He was born in Plymouth, has always followed Argyle, and is hoping his retirement will mean more time for him to get on the terrace.

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A crowd of 26,000 saw us beat Swindon ten years ago here at Home Park and I remember the match so well because it produced one of those classic Wilf Carter—Jimmy Gauld situations. Jimmy went through, got mown down and Wilf netted from the spot. That was to be repeated time and time again and I am reminded of that deadly combination by reader John Howe of St Budeaux who claims that Jimmy Gauld was the greatest dribbler of all time.

I expect some fans who recall the pre-war days of glory will challenge that but I cannot recall a better operator since the Second World War in Argyle's colours and regret that such ability — indeed wizardry — should have been tarnished by Jimmy's subsequent fall from grace.

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Gary Megson's mother, Yvonne, and younger brother are pretty fairly regular visitors to Home Park these days since Gary's father, Don, left Bristol Rovers where he was manager to join the American soccer scene in Oregon. Before her husband left Bristol she had split loyalties. Now with Gary the only member of the family in English football Argyle obviously get her loyalty. Mrs Megson tells me that the whole family will be together in America during the summer.

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What a reception Malcolm Allison got before and after the home win against Oxford! And it's a long time since I've seen fans racing across the pitch to congratulate players at the end of a game! A bit of the old spirit was there last Saturday, and although Malcolm thought there were a few things to put right he said he felt confident that Argyle will stay up, and that makes me begin to feel better already!

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Team changes

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GARY MEGSON  
BRIAN TAYLOR  
STEVE PERRIN  
KEITH FEAR  
BRIAN JOHNSON  
MICK HORSWILL

## Swindon

Team Changes

1 JIMMY ALLAN  
2 JOHN McLAUGHLIN  
3 ANDY FORD  
4 KENNY STROUD  
5 ROY CARTER  
6 COLIN PROPHETT  
7 DAVID MOSS  
8 CHRIS KAMARA  
9 CHRIS GUTHRIE  
10 RAY McHALE  
11 CHIC BATES  
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DIVISION 3

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- A Cambridge v Portsmouth .....
- B Colchester v Bury .....
- C Gillingham v Peterboro .....
- D Hereford v Exeter .....
- E Preston v Chesterfield .....
- F Oxford Utd v Port Vale .....
- G Rotherham v Sheff W. ....
- H Shrewsbury v Chester .....
- J Tranmere v Lincoln .....
- K Walsall v Carlisle .....
- L Wrexham v Bradford C. ....

## League Positions

77/78

Division 3

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Wrexham	33	19	9	5	57	33	47
Cambridge	37	18	9	10	62	44	45
Preston	35	16	12	7	50	30	44
Gillingham	36	14	14	8	58	47	42
Walsall	35	13	14	8	44	36	40
Tranmere	36	14	11	11	46	38	39
Peterborough	34	13	13	8	27	24	39
Bury	35	12	13	10	49	41	37
Chester	35	9	19	7	41	46	37
Colchester	36	12	12	12	46	40	36
Carlisle	35	10	16	9	45	43	36
Swindon	33	12	11	10	51	44	35
Chesterfield	33	13	9	11	41	34	35
Lincoln	37	12	11	14	39	46	35
Shrewsbury	36	11	12	13	47	46	34
Exeter City	35	12	10	13	39	45	34
Oxford	36	11	10	15	50	52	32
Port Vale	35	7	15	13	38	52	29
Rotherham	32	10	8	14	38	46	28
Sheffield Wednesday	34	8	12	14	35	44	28
Plymouth Argyle	35	7	13	15	41	53	27
Bradford	35	9	9	17	44	60	27
Hereford	34	8	11	15	26	45	27
Portsmouth	36	5	15	16	33	58	25

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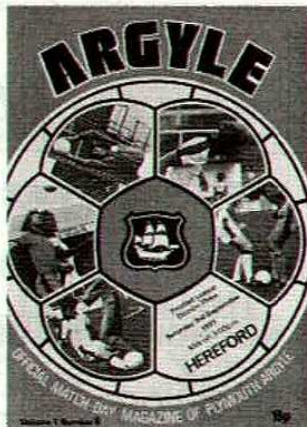
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# PLAYER PROFILE



Chris  
Harrison

**NAME** — Christopher Colin Harrison  
**BIRTHPLACE** — Launceston  
**BIRTHDATE** — 17 October 1956  
**HEIGHT** — 5ft 10ins. **WEIGHT** — 10st 7lbs  
**MARRIED** — No  
**MAKE OF CAR** — Ford Escort  
**FAVOURITE PLAYER** — George Best  
**FAVOURITE OTHER TEAM** — Manchester United  
**MOST DIFFICULT OPPONENT** — Butch Wilkins  
**MOST MEMORABLE MATCH** — My debut, v Carlisle, 25th April 1976.  
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Mr and Mrs K. Hockin live at 33, Medrose, Delabole, Cornwall. Weekly they buy a ticket in 'THE ARGYLE LOTTERY'. On the night of Argyle v Lincoln, (Mrs Hockin never having been to Home Park) They came to the match as our Guests.

During the half-time interval Chairman Robert Daniel presented the couple with their £1,000 PRIZE! A night they will long remember!

# PILGRIM'S PROGRESS

## FOOTBALL LEAGUE DIVISION 3 1977/78 SEASON.

1977	F-A	Scorer	Gate		F-A	Scorers	Gate
30th Jul Bristol Rovers (Anglo Scottish Cup)	A 1-0	Austin		26th Dec Exeter City	H 2-2	Johnson, Craven	12,349
6th Aug Birmingham City (Anglo Scottish Cup)	H 1-1	Austin	5176	27th Dec Swindon Town	A 1-3	Binney	
9th Aug Bristol City (Anglo Scottish Cup)	H 0-2		4658	31st Dec Wrexham	H 0-1		7415
13th Aug Exeter (League Cup)	A 2-2	Trusson (2)		1978			
16th Aug Exeter (League Cup)	H 0-0		7639	2nd Jan Lincoln City	A 2-2	Austin, Neill, o.g.	
20th Aug Preston North End	H 0-0		7154	7th Jan Mansfield	H 0-1		
23rd Aug Exeter City (FL Cup)	H 0-1		8776		F.A. Cup 3		
27th Aug Carlisle United	A 0-0			14th Jan Preston North End	A 2-5	Foster, Johnson	
3rd Sep Hereford United	H 2-0	Trusson, Rogers	5732	21st Jan Carlisle United	H 0-1		4744
9th Sep Colchester United	A 1-3	Hall		28th Jan Hereford United	A 3-1	Craven, Austin Megson	4737
13th Sep Walsall	H 3-3	Austin (2), Hall	5958	4th Feb Colchester United	H 1-1	Taylor	4639
17th Sep Cambridge United	H 0-1		6022	11th Feb Cambridge United	A 0-3		
24th Sep Bradford City	A 1-0	Hall		18th Feb Bradford City	H 0-1	Abandoned	2843
27th Sep Sheffield Wednesday	A 1-1	Austin		25th Feb Gillingham	A 1-1	Megson	
1st Oct Gillingham	H 1-3	Hall	12635	4th Mar Chester	H 2-2	Fear, Uzzell	5322
4th Oct Shrewsbury Town	H 2-2	Hall, Austin	4661	7th Mar Walsall	A 0-1		6722
8th Oct Chester	A 1-1	Rogers		10th Mar Tranmere Rovers	A 1-1	Perrin	
11th Oct Rotherham	A 2-1	Hall, Binney		13th Mar Lincoln City	H 1-2	Perrin	
15th Oct Tranmere Rovers	H 0-1		6156	18th Mar Oxford United	H 2-1	Johnson, Fear	
22nd Oct Oxford United	A 1-2	Austin		21st Mar Portsmouth	A		
29th Oct Portsmouth	H 3-1	Taylor, Austin, Johnson	6594	25th Mar Swindon Town	H		
5th Nov Wrexham	A 0-2			28th Mar Exeter City	A		
12th Nov Chesterfield	H 2-0	Austin, Johnson	5572	4th Apr Sheffield Wednesday	H		
19th Nov Peterborough United	A 0-1			8th Apr Chesterfield	A		
26th Nov Bath City 1st Round F.A. Cup	A 0-0			15th Apr Peterborough United	H		
29th Nov Bath City 1st Round F.A. Cup replay	H 2-0	Taylor(2)	5455	22nd Apr Bury	A		
3rd Dec Bury	H 0-1		4766	25th Apr Shrewsbury	A		
9th Dec Port Vale	A 3-3	Austin 2, Horswill		29th Apr Port Vale	H		
17th Dec Cambridge F.A. Cup 2	H 1-0	Johnson	5850	6th May F.A. CUP FINAL			

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# RESERVE REVIEW

## COMBINATION FIXTURES 1977/78 SEASON.

1977				F-A	1978				F-A
Sat.	27th	August	Arsenal	A 0-1	Wed.	4th	January	Tottenham Hotspur	H 1-2
Tues.	30th	"	Bristol City	A 1-3	Sat.	7th	"	Ipswich Town	A 0-3
Sat.	3rd	September	Hereford United	A 1-2	Sat.	14th	"	Arsenal	H 0-0
Sat.	10th	"	Crystal Palace	H 1-2	Tues.	24th	"	Birmingham City	A 2-1
Sat.	17th	"	Leicester City	A 3-1	Tues.	31st	"	Cardiff City	H Post.
Wed.	21st	"	Tottenham Hotspur	A 0-2	Sat.	4th	February	Crystal Palace	A Post.
Sat.	1st	October	West Ham United	A 1-0	Sat.	18th	"	Norwich City	A Post.
Wed.	5th	"	Orient	A 0-2	Sat.	25th	"	West Ham United	H 2-2
Sat.	15th	"	Oxford United	A 5-1	Mon.	27th	"	Leicester City	H 1-2
Tues.	18th	"	Bristol City	H 2-0	Sat.	4th	March	Southampton	A 0-1
Sat.	22nd	"	Queens P Rangers	H 1-0	Mon.	6th	"	Hereford United	H 1-3
Sat.	5th	November	Chelsea	H 1-0	Sat.	11th	"	Oxford United	H
Sat.	19th	"	Fulham	H 1-1	Sat.	18th	"	Queens P Rangers	A
Tues.	22nd	"	Norwich City	H 2-1	Sat.	25th	"	Bristol Rovers	A
Sat.	26th	"	Luton Town	A 2-2	Sat.	1st	April	Chelsea	A
Sat.	3rd	December	Swindon Town	A 1-1	Sat.	8th	"	Luton Town	H
Sat.	10th	"	Reading	H 4-1	Tues.	11th	"	Bristol Rovers	H
Sat.	17th	"	Birmingham City	H 1-0	Sat.	15th	"	Fulham	A
					Tues.	18th	"	Ipswich Town	H
					Sat.	21st	"	Swindon Town	H
					Wed.	26th	"	Orient	H
					Sat.	29th	"	Reading	A

F— denotes goals for  
A— denotes goals against

## SOUTH WESTERN LEAGUE

1977				F-A
Aug	20	Penzance		H 5-0
	22	Tavistock		A 2-0
	24	Louis Int		H 2-3
	27	Bugle		H 1-1
	31	Bodmin		H 0-2
Sept	1	Holsworthy		A 0-2
	3	Holsworthy		H 0-0
	10	Torpoint		A 1-4
	17	Liskeard		H 0-3
	24	St Austell		A 0-4
Oct	8	Newton Abbot		H 4-0
	15	Torpoint (Challenge Cup)		A 0-1
	22	Illogan		A 3-2
	29	Plymouth Command		H 1-1
Nov	12	Wadebridge		H 2-5
Dec	3	St Blazey		H 0-3
	10	Elmore		A 2-2
	17	Elmore		H
	24	Penzance		A 0-3
	31	Louis Int.		A 3-0
1978	Jan	7	Bugle	A 0-2
		14	Bodmin	H 0-6
	Feb	4	Plymouth Command	A 0-3
		18	Newton Abbot	A 0-4
		25	Illogan	H Post.
	Mar	11	Newquay	H
		25	Tavistock	H
	April	8	St Blazey	A

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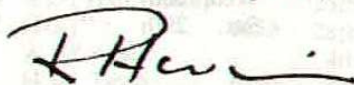
## **DOES YOUR CLUB NEED MONEY?**

Dear Secretary,

I write to you now as Registration Secretary of a local league and one who is very much involved in the amateur game. I know from personal experience just how desperately money is needed by most clubs, and not only Soccer clubs. Other sports and societies also suffer from an acute shortage of funds — Darts, Pool, Hockey, Cricket, Table Tennis, Boy Scouts, Girl Guides — immediately come to mind! The loss of 'The Argyle Ace' last September was a major blow to many. In the meantime scores of requests have been received asking for help and advice. I am delighted to tell you that we are now in a position to be of assistance. Overleaf I announce details of a GREAT NEW COMPETITION which my Committee think will prove to be yet another winner.

Should you be at all interested simply complete the slip and post to me at your earliest convenience. I am expecting a heavy postbag.

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I would welcome further details of 'THE ARGYLE MINI' and wish....

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- ii For myself to call on you.
- iii Details to be sent by post.

SIGNED

DATE / /



# SUPPORTERS

Supporters Association Chairman  
Sam Rendell writes..

## CONGRATULATIONS TO FARSLEY CELTIC

### PROGRAMME CORNER

Interest in the collection of club programmes continues to grow and we had news this week of an ambitious Programme Dealers and Collectors Fair being organised by the Farsley Celtic Social, Recreational and Athletic Club on Sunday July 23rd 1978 from 11.30 a.m. until approximately 5.00 p.m. Farsley Celtic play in the Yorkshire League and the fair is to be held in the club grounds.

A huge marquee which will accommodate the dealers stands and 1500 programme collectors at any one time is being utilised for the event.

As visitors are expected from all parts of Great Britain camping facilities are being arranged for early arrivals.

Stands are available for dealers at £3, camping fee is 50p per unit per night, admission for collectors is 25p for adults and 15p for under 16 year olds.

A Disco/Social is being organised in the Club House on the Saturday evening and the social club will be open throughout the week end — a supply of hot or cold snacks being available for most of the time.

Throstle Nest, Farsley, Pudsey — 6 miles from Leeds and 3 miles from Bradford — will be a Mecca for programme collectors that week end.

The Farsley Celtic Supporters' Club are to be congratulated on their enterprise and we wish them success.

### PLYMOUTH V ROTHERHAM UNITED

We have received numerous enquiries from Programme Collectors for copies of the programme for the match against Rotherham United which was postponed.

The programme printed for that game is being utilised for the re-arranged game — an insert being included with the programme giving team details.

## Quiz Spot.. No. 22

- 1 Where do QPR play?
- 2 Who won the first Wembley F.A. Cup Final?
- 3 In which season did Argyle score 100 goals?

Two Grandstand Tickets are again on offer as Prizes. Just answer the three questions correctly, pop them on a post-card together with your Name and Address and post to Quiz 22, 'Argyle', Home Park, Plymouth.

### THE RESULTS OF RECENT QUIZES HERE NEXT ISSUE!

#### 'CHEATS CORNER!'

If you are stuck for an answer you really should drop into the Pilgrim Shop and snap up one of the few remaining copies of 'Argyle '78'. It's full of interest — and the answers!

# SCENE

# COMMERCIAL

## COMMERCIAL MANAGER BILL PEARCE WRITES . . .



# Supporters 'Help not hinder!'

Roy Harding has been a loyal supporter of Plymouth Argyle for many years. He is currently Vice-Chairman of the Plymouth Argyle Supporters Association as well as being Vice-Chairman of 'The Far Post Club' Management Committee. No-one can accuse him of being a 'fair-weather friend'. Further, every Saturday he devotes hours of his time, in a totally voluntary capacity to assisting with Supporter's correspondence as well as ensuring match-day Sponsors and their Guests are fully attended.

In common with his close colleagues and friends Reg Tooze and Sam Rendell, Roy Harding believes in, and practices, the motto of the old Supporters Club — 'HELP NOT HINDER'.

### **'THE ARGYLE MINI'.**

Though Plymouth Argyle is Roy's particular interest in soccer, he has a wider based general interest which he explains in his short letter on Page 16, for in addition to his Home Park interests he finds the time to act as Secretary of a local league.

### **FUTURE THREATENED!**

When 'The Argyle Lottery' was introduced it was decided to close-down the existing competitions — the Weekly Draw Schemes together with the ever faithful Bingo Card which had rendered valiant service to so many for over 25 years! This was a decision I personally deeply regretted and one which Roy, though it was forced upon us, did not approve. He knew only too well how much local soccer clubs, darts, cricket, table tennis and pool clubs, as well as other deserving organisations depended on the income they derived from the competition. A number were put under severe financial pressure. Indeed, the future of many was threatened! Scores of Secretaries wrote letters of complaints. Roy Harding reacted! He assumed the role of a man of action and summoned a Committee Meeting. The outcome was a decision to introduce a modern sealed ticket to be known as 'THE ARGYLE MINI'. The ticket was to feature the ever popular Bingo together with appealing aspects of 'The Argyle Lottery' — on a smaller scale. Two further major decisions were made —

- i. 'The Argyle Mini' should be sold exclusively through Pubs and Clubs.
- ii. It should sell for 10p!

### **CONGRATULATIONS!**

On behalf of 'The Argyle Lottery' I congratulate Roy and his Committee on their devotion, deliberation and decision. I am totally happy that their venture is in no way going to affect the success of 'The Argyle Lottery' for it is so obviously intended for a market we are unable to tap! I have seen the ticket. From experience I think it is an outright winner! I am delighted to learn that already over 100 organisations have expressed an interest and I understand that consequently over 15,000 tickets have been ordered during the past fortnight. It can only be a major success. Grease to the elbows of all concerned! Well done!

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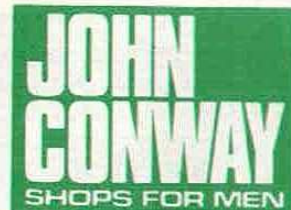
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