

THE DIADORA FOOTBALL LEAGUE

## The Associate Members Trophy FINAL

#### BARTON ROVERS v. NORTHWOOD

At Chesham United F.C. Meadow Park, Thursday 29th. April 1993 Official Programme 80p.



# **BARTON ROVERS FOOTBALL CLUB 1992/93**

Back Row: (left to right) D. Kerridge (Trainer), G. Brown (Coach), G. Bambrick, P. Palma, L. Bozier, P. Olney, S. Merrick, M. Huckle (General/Acting Manager)
Front Row: S. Flain, G. Golds, F. Geddes, D. Turner (Captain), B. Lalor, S. Endacott, D. Foster, C. McGill



#### Chairman's Comments

Good Evening.

It is my pleasure to welcome you all to tonight's Isthmian Football League Associate Members Trophy Final between **Barton Rovers Football Club** and **Northwood Football Club**.

By way of explanation, the Associate Members Trophy is open to those clubs playing in division two and three of our league. Unfortunately, the competition has been without a sponsor for this season but this has in no way affected the high standard of performance from the games or the level of commitment and competition.

Both clubs will be making their first appearance in this final and it should be noted that Northwood only joined this competition at the beginning of the current season by way of promotion from their previous league.

I am also pleased to extend a welcome to our friends from County Football associations and other leagues and of course all of you who have made the journey to support this match.

We are indeed grateful to Chesham United Football Club for staging tonight's match and extend our special thanks to Chairman Tony Aplin, The Directors of the Club and also to Secretary David Stanley for their very much appreciated help.

The level of support for our football is increasing and the standard is improving.

In conclusion, thank you for your support.

ALAN C. F. TURVEY Chairman and Managing Director

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#### **Premier Division**

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Chesham United	40	29	7	4	100	32	94 +66
St. Albans City	40	27	8	5	100	48	89 +52
Enfield	41	25	6	10	94	47	81 +47
<b>Carshalton Athletic</b>	41	21	10	10	93	55	73 +38
Sutton United	39	17	13	9	67	51	64 +16
Grays Athletic	40	17	11	12	57	58	62 -1
Stevenage Borough	41	18	7	16	60	58	61 +2
Hayes	40	16	12	12	63	57	60 +6
<b>Aylesbury United</b>	40	18	4	18	68	75	58 -7
Harrow Borough	40	14	14	12	54	57	56 -3
<b>Basingstoke</b> Town	40	12	17	11	47	41	53 +6
Hendon	40	12	17	11	50	50	53
<b>Dulwich Hamlet</b>	40	12	14	14	52	60	50 -8
Kingstonian	41	13	10	18	56	58	49 -2
Marlow	41	12	10	19	70	71	45 -1
Wokingham Town	40	11	12	17	60	78	45 -18
Yeading	41	11	11	19	58	66	44 -8
Bromley	40	11	11	18	49	70	44 -21
Staines Town	41	10	12	19	57	75	42 -18
Wivenhoe Town	40	12	6	22	40	75	42 -35
Windsor & Eton	40	7	7	26	39	87	28 -48
<b>Bognor Regis Town</b>	40	4	9	27	38	103	21 -63
<b>Division One</b>							
	PI	W	D	1	Gf	Ga	Pts GD
Hitchin Town	39	24	7	8	65	28	79 +37
Molesey	38	22	11	5	75	35	77 +40
Dorking	37	22	8	7	70	37	74 +33
Bishop's Stortford	39	19	10	10	63	41	67 +22
Purficet	38	17	12	9	59	40	63 +19
Tooting & Mitcham	39	16	12	11	62	45	60 +17
Billericay Town	39	18	6	15	66	57	60 +9
Abingdon Town	37	14	13	10	56	46	55 +10
Walton & Hersham	40	14	12	14	58	54	54 +4
Wembley	37	13	13	11	42	33	52 +9
Boreham Wood	39	12	14	13	44	42	50 +2
Leyton	39	11	14	14	55	59	47 -4
Maidenhead United	39	10	17	12	45	50	47 -5
Uxbridge	38	11	13	15	49	57	46 -8
Whyteleafe	38	12	9	17	62	69	45 -7
Croydon	39	11	9	19	54	77	42 -23
Heybridge Swifts	38	11	8	19	46	63	41 -17
Chalfont St. Peter	39	7	17	15	48	66	38 -18
Lewes	38	9	10	19	33	70	37 -37
Barking	39	9	8	22	41	80	35 -39
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#### **Division Two**

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	PI	w	D	L	Gf	Ga	Pts GD
Worthing	39	26	7	6	99	47	85 +52
<b>Ruislip Manor</b>	41	24	12	5	76	33	84 +43
Berkhamsted Town	41	23	8	10	75	53	77 +20
Hernel Hempstead	41	21	12	8	82	51	75 +31
Metropolitan Police	40	21	6	13	81	49	69 +32
Chertsey Town	41	20	7	14	82	57	67 +25
Saffron Walden Tn.	41	18	10	13	60	47	64 +13
Malden Vale	40	18	9	13	70	53	63 +17
Newbury Town	42	14	18	10	53	51	60 +2
Hampton	41	16	11	14	58	56	59 +2
Edgware Town	41	16	10	15	84	74	58 +10
Egham Town	40	15	9	16	58	68	54 -10
Leatherhead	41	14	11	16	65	59	53 +6
<b>Banstead Athletic</b>	39	13	13	13	64	47	52 +17
Ware	41	11	11	19	65	74	44 -9
Tilbury	40	12	8	20	54	96	44 -42
Witham Town	40	9	15	16	50	62	42 -12
Hungerford Town	41	11	8	22	36	88	41 -52
Barton Rovers	40	9	13	18	38	62	40 -24
Rainham Town	41	9	10	22	56	78	37 -22
Harefield United	41	10	7	24	37	69	37 -32
Southall	40	5	7	28	36	106	22 -67
Division Three							
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Aldershot Town	37	27	8	2	87	34	89 +53
Thame United	36	21	10	5	82	32	73 +50
Collier Row	36	21	10	5	68	29	73 +39
Cove	37	21	8	8	68	39	71 +29
Leighton Town	37	20	10	7	86	46	70 +40
Northwood	37	18	11	8	79	67	65 +12
East Thurrock Utd.	38	17	7	14	69	58	58 +11
Royston Town	37	16	8	13	58	42	56 +16
Hertford Town	38	14	10	14	61	64	52 -3
Flackwell Heath	37	15	6	16	81	73	51 +8
Kingsbury Town	36	14	9	13	59	54	51 +5
Hornchurch	38	11	13	14	53	52	46 +1
Tring Town	37	12	10	15	59	63	40 +1
Horsham	37	12	7	18	62	67	40 -4
Epsom & Ewell	37	9	11		100	122.00	
Camberley Town	38	8	7	17 23	49	67 72	38 -18
Bracknell Town	38	6	13	18	37		31 -35
Petersfield United	37	-	13		47	91	31 -44
	38	6		20	36	90	30 -54
Clapton		7	6	23	40	72	27 -32
Feitham & Hounslow	30	5	4	27	42	111	19 -69

#### Including Saturday 24th. April 1993



Barton Rovers have their home in Barton -Le-Clay, a village of some 5000 people just north of Luton. Formed in 1898, the club played in intervillage football for some fifty years until 1946 when they re-formed and joined the Luton and District League.

In 1954 they progressed to the South midlands League, but enjoyed only limited success until Barry Reed the former Leicester City and Luton Town player, joined the club as manager. after winning promotion to the Premier Division in 1964/65 they were never out of the top three until leaving the League in 1979, winning the title eight seasons out of nine.

In 1976 they entered the FA Vase for the first time and reached the quarter-finals before losing to Farnborough Town. The following year they went a stage better, reaching the semi-finals where they were bettered by Sheffield. In 1978 however, the pinnacle of the Wembley appearance was reached and although the club lost 2-1 to Blue Star of Newcastle. They had achieved what many clubs can only dream about - a Wembley appearance.

The club joined the Isthmian League in 1979 where in their first three seasons they finished 8th., 4th. and 4th again. The third season was also memorable for another FA Vase run, where the club again progressed to the semi-finals, losing to Rainworth Miners Welfare 1-2 on aggregate scores.

At the end of the 1982/3 season Barry Reed retired as Manager having guided the club to third place in Division Two (North) (their highest ever position).

He also fulfilled his other ambition of seeing his side in the First Round proper of the FA Cup whilst at the club. That was achieved in 1980 when Rovers lost 0-2 to Torquay United at Plainmoor.

After Reed, there was a transitional period at the club when the club suffered mid-table obscurity. When Mick Huckle assumed sole responsibility for 1988/89 following the decision of his partner John Burr to retire, and brought in former Bedford and Aylesbury player Cliff Campbell as his assistant. Huckle then moved "upstairs" to the General Manager's seat in January 1989, and Cliff Campbell pushed the club into a top ten position, and for a while they were serious promotion candidates.

Early the following season Mick Huckle was back as Team Boss and the Club won the Bedfordshire Senior Cup winning a penalty shoot out after the Final and subsequent extra time had produced a 1-1 draw against Dunstable.

Upon the re-formation of the Isthmian League two seasons back, Barton Rovers qualified for the present Division Two, by finishing tenth - the qualifying mark being eleventh !

They also reached the final of the Bedfordshire Senior Cup again, but were unable to retain the silverware, penalties this time going against them after a 3-3 draw with Electrolux.

The mantle of team management was then passed to former Stoke and St. Mirren player Ray Brandon in May 1991, but he left the club after just three months, with reserve team boss Tony Dumigan stepping for the remainder of the season.

During the last close season Brian Williams who had been a successful boss at Hitchin, Baldock and Stevenage became the new Barton Rovers boss. The season has however, been something of a disappointment as far as league results are concerned, especially after the club achieved its "B" grading and wanted to push for promotion to Division One.

There has so far been limited cup success however, with the club reaching the fourth round of the FA Vase before losing to Wembley finalists, Tiverton Town, and the most notable successes have been reserved for tonight's competition, where Rovers are appearing in the Final for the first time in their history.

Since early this month, Mick Huckle is yet again in charge of the club's playing affairs since the resignation of Brian Williams. Apart from winning tonight, he will be hoping to steer Barton clear of relegation on Saturday at Berkhamsted Town.

#### The Barton Rovers Players

LEE BOZIER (Goalkeeper) Aged 24. Company Director. Former Stevenage and St. Albans keeper who signed last September. Has notched up over 40 appearances as first team keeper this season although ineligible for the FA Vase run.

COLIN McGILL (Defender) Aged 20. Pensions Administrator. Joined at the start of the season from Hitchin Town where he had been their regular choice for the previous season. Has also played for Stevenage, where he progressed from their youth side to first team. A comfortable player with both feet who can attack down either flank.

**BILL GOODYEAR** (Defender) Aged 33. Senior Buyer. Returned to the club in 1986 after a season at Arlesey Town. Had a spell at Barton between 1982 and 1985 when he won several club awards. Has also been amongst the club awards since his return. Over 450 appearances for the club. His leadership qualities both on and off the field are an inspiration to all around him.

DANNY TURNER (Defender) Aged 24. Insurance Account executive. The Club Captain, he joined at the beginning of the season from Shillington. Previously with Vauxhall Motors. Has only missed one game this season. Strong player with good passing and heading ability.

GARY BAMBRICK (Defender) Aged 31. Sales representative. Joined in the close season after last season playing for Stotfold. Gary has also played for letchworth Garden City, Stevenage Borough and Baldock Town. Attacking full back who has been a regular except for injuries.

RICHARD WOOD (Defender) Aged 23 Manager of an Insurance Brokers. 6'2" centre-half who started his career at Hitchin before moving into the South Midlands League at Pirton. Joined Rovers in December 1991. Also captains the local Sunday side, AFC Heron.

**BRIAN LALOR** (Midfield) Age 23. Warehouse man. Joined in 1989/90 upon moving into the area. A ball playing midfield man who both takes and makes goals. Picked up all the club awards in season 1990/91, and made his 150th. appearance for the club in the semi-final against Met. Police. Has otherwise only played Sunday football.

DENNIS FOS' ER (Midfield) Age 34. Decorator. Moved into the Luton area during the 1986 close season and broke into the first team in October of the same year. He has previously played for Hillingdon Borough, Barnet, Southall and Finchley. Has now recently completed his 300th. game for the club. **GRAHAM GOLDS (Midfield)** Age 22. Plumber. Started his career at St. Albans for their Under 12 to Under 18's teams. Then moved on to Hertford Town between 1990 and 1992, making 65 appearances. Joined Barton in the close season. A naturally left footed player who likes to get forward and score goals.

STUART ENDACOTT (Midfield) Age 19. Accountant. Joined at the beginning of last season, having previously played in the Youth team which was formed for the Loctite Youth Cup in 1990/91. Made his first team debut in October 1991. Earlier in this season he made ten appearances before joining United Counties side, Wootton Blue Cross in December. Returned to Sharpenhoe Road in April, and played in the semi-final of tonight's competition.

LYNDON HANCOCK (Midfield) Age 21. Student. Joined from Raunds Town in February 1993. Was on schoolboy forms for Stoke City and has represented British Colleges. This season he has gained Representative honours with the England UAU side and is one of four Rovers players to have helped guide Bedford College into the final of this seasons National College Cup. The club's midfield playmaker.

**RICHARD KING** (Forward) Age 26. Postman, Higher Grade. Another player who joined in September 1992, and made his debut in the same month. Played in the Beazer Homes League for Dunstable last season. Started this season in London's Dockland with Fisher Athletic, and has also played for both Sutton United and Wembley. A quick skilful striker who also plays for London Postal Region. Scored the decisive goal in the semi-final replay win at Metropolitan Police in the Associate Members Trophy.

PAUL PALMA (Forward) Aged 30. Carpenter. Had a two year spell away from senior football except for a brief spell at Royston last season. Joined Barton in September, but left immediately to play for Stotfold in the UCL. Returned to the club in February 1993. Has also played for Stevenage Borough and Letchworth, Hitchin, Royston, where he had a four year spell and Knebworth.

STEVE FLAIN (Forward) Age 19. Professional Footballer. Signed from Luton Town in August 1992 and still plays in their Combination side, although he has been especially. released from contract. His ball control and pacey runs have already unlocked many a defence. Previously with Welwyn Garden city and Stevenage Borough. He scored the first goal in the Semi-Final replay against Metropolitan Police.

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Mr. M. Halsey (Welwy Ward (Milton Keynes)	Mr. P. Gase (Olney Bucks)		
Mr. M. Halsey (Welwyn Garden City, Herts.) (Green Flag) Ward (Milton Keynes)	F.C.	<ol> <li>KEVIN BECKLES</li> <li>TROY MCAULIFFE</li> <li>JOHN PARSONS</li> <li>ROB HOLLAND</li> <li>ROB HOLLAND</li> <li>STEVE SAILSMAN</li> <li>PAUL ROGAN</li> <li>TIM VINCENT</li> <li>DAVE NOLAN</li> <li>VIC SCHWARTZ</li> <li>FRANK OMERE</li> <li>HENRY PACQUETTE</li> <li>MARTIN RANDALL</li> </ol>	Colours Yellow Shirts Yellow Shorts Yellow Socks

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Northwood Football Club was probably formed in the early 1900's although the exact date has never been established. There is a photograph of a team in existence in 1907 but is almost certain that they were formed before this date.

The club has had a number of grounds during its history, but they have been based at their current headquarters in Northwood Park, Chestnut Avenue since 1946.

The Woods first period of success came in the 1930's. They joined the Harrow and Wembley League in 1931 and met with immediate honours, winning the Premier Division from 1932 right through to 1937. After the War, prosperity continued with three further championships from 1947 to 1947. they coupled this with winning the Middlesex Junior Cup in each of these three seasons.

Unfortunately, this success on the field was not matched by the facilities off of it and the club hit a decline which was to stretch throughout the fifties and most of the sixties.

However, towards the end of the 1960's, Northwood began to grow again and in 1969 they were elected into the Middlesex County League. During nine years of membership they were twice runners-up and twice League Cup winners before completing a League and Cup "double" in 1978.

The club elected to join the Hellenic League and the following season, 1978/79 they won the First Division Championship in addition to the Divisional League Cup. Further success was gained that year, winning the Middlesex Intermediate Cup for the only time in the club's history.

At this time the go-ahead club's ambition was further enhanced by the installation of floodlights and in 1981, senior status was granted by the Middlesex County Football Association.

Despite reaching the League Cup Final in 1982, travelling was proving too much for Northwood in the Hellenic League with very few local games and they switched to join the London Spartan League in 1984.

Success was not immediate but after a few moderate seasons, in 1988 the club appointed current manager Alan Merison to take control.

After twice finishing third and then being runnersup in 1990, the Championship was won last season, and subsequently, promotion to the Diadora Football League. They also won the League Cup Final against Corinthian-Casuals, having previously recorded a success in the competition in 1990. The club also competed in the F.A. Cup for the first time ever in 1990. losing 1-3 at home to Hampton.

Last season they enjoyed further success in Cup competitions by reaching the Fourth Round of the FA Vase and the semi-final of the Middlesex Senior Cup - the first ever Spartan League club to reach this stage.

In this, their first season in the Diadora League, they have been amongst the leading clubs for most of the season, before injury and loss of form halted their progress.

They again reached the semi-final of the County Senior Cup before losing to Harrow Borough, the eventual winners, and of course they have reached the Final of this evening's competition.

During the past few years, a concrete walkway has been set all round the pitch perimeter, a new stand has been built which currently seats 120, but is capable of being extended whenever necessary. The ground has been totally fenced in and a new entrance has been built. The pitch has been levelled and is now one of the best in the Division.

Apart from the first team and the reserves who compete in the Suburban League, the club has a third team and Veterans (although they hate the name) in the London Commercial League and no less than ten Youth teams playing on Sundays at all ages in the Hayes and District and Harrow Youth Leagues and are regularly among the top sides in the area.

#### The Northwood Players

**KEVIN BECKLES** (Goalkeeper) Age 20. Young player who joined Northwood in March 1993 from local rivals Edgware Town, where he played in their Third Division championship side. Previously played for Watford Reserves and Southall. He has replaced the long-serving Len Lavender in goal.

**TROY McAULIFFE** (Defender) Age 30. Experienced player who signed for the Woods in February 1993 from Uxbridge. Has also played for Yeading, Hendon and Edgware Town. Can play either in defence or midfield - current right back.

JOHN PARSONS (Defender) Age 18. A product of the club's youth policy who made his debut at left back in February 1993. Has had experience in Chelsea's Youth and Reserve teams and has quickly earned rave reviews.

RONNIE JOHN (Defender) Age 245. An important signing for Woods from Wembley at the end of February 1992 as his pace at the back made a great deal of difference in the Spartan League championship run-in. Returned to the side in January after spending the first half of the season injured.

**ROB HOLLAND** (Defender) Age 27. Experienced central defender who is also Club Captain. Rob saw service at eleven clubs including Football League outfit Crewe before joining Northwood in November 1991. Played in the 1986 FA Vase Final for Southall. Local sports shop owner.

STEVE SAILSMAN (Midfield) Age 24. Signed in January 1993 from Edgware Town, having played for Bishop's Stortford for the past two season. Has also played for Wembley and Kingsbury Town. Very versatile player who has already played in three different positions for the club.

PAUL ROGAN (Midfield) Age 25. Joined from Cheshunt in March 1991 and has now made the central midfield role his own. a former Leyton orient and Q.P.R. Youth player who has also had experience at Boreham wood and Enfield. The scorer of seventeen goals so far this season.

TIM VINCENT (Midfield) Age 32. Tim had trials for Manchester United and England as a youngster, but has generally gained his reputation in the non-league scene with six clubs prior to joining Northwood in 1989. A thoughtful approach to the game has netted him sixty goals in 180 appearances for Woods.

DAVE NOLAN (Midfield) Age 22. Last season's Supporters Player of the Year, Dave returned to the right back position during this campaign after playing a midfield role for most of last season though he has been in midfield lately. Previously with Hendon and Harrow Borough, he was the top scorer for the reserves for two seasons before making his first team debut in 1990. Has now made 100 appearances for the club.

VIC SCHWARTZ (Striker) Age 33. the return of the prodigal son this season as Vic started his football career late in life at Northwood in 1985 before playing for Yeading, Hounslow, Yeading again and Uxbridge. He won a Vase winners medal at Yeading and returned to Northwood at the start of this season. He has scored 24 times in just 30 appearances this season - albeit on battered legs !

**FRANK OMERE** (Striker) Age 19. Another youngster who has been ever-present in the line-up since signing from Wembley in December 1992. Played at Youth level for both Brentford and Southampton. He is still student who hopes to study for a Law degree. Has scored in every round of tonight's competition so far amongst his total of seventeen goals this season.

HENRY PACQUETTE (Striker) Age 35 Vastly experienced striker now in his second spell at Northwood. has played for no less than seven Diadora League sides and has scored 57 goals in his just over 100 appearances for Northwood. The top scorer in the Reserves this season.

MARTIN RANDALL (Defender) Age 20. Another of the Woods young stars with bags of potential, Martin is yet to win a regular place in the side, but has now played 25 games, mainly as substitute, never letting the side down.

**DEAN LAYTON** (Midfield) Age 20. Youngster who has played a handful of games this season. an England Schools trialist at Under 18 level and has also represented Herts. County at Golf.

PAUL CURRAN (Defender) Age 29. Signed in December 1989 and played central defence before converting to left-back in 1990. Previously with Kingsbury, Hendon and Finchley, he has now made over 170 appearances.

**DANNY BUCKLEY** (Midfield) Age 20. had England trials at both Under 15 and Under 18 level before breaking into the Northwood side this season. Was on the books of both Arsenal and Tottenham and has played for both Southall and Harrow Borough. Although not a regular in the side, scored a hat-trick at Epsom recently.

**KEN LAVENDER** (Goalkeeper) Age 31. Vastly accomplished keeper who joined in the summer of 1988. Played for lots of clubs in West London and Middlesex and is just short of 200 appearances for the Woods.

#### Paths to the Final

#### **BARTON ROVERS:**

Preliminary Round:	Clapton	(H)	3-0	Olney, Anderson, O.G.
First Round:	Leighton Town	(A)	2-1	Turner, Guille
First Round: Second Round: Third Round:	<b>Ruislip Manor</b>	(H)	3-0	O'Keefe (2), Lalor
Third Round:	<b>Kingsbury</b> Town	(A)	1-0#	Golds
Semi-Final:	Met. Police	(H)	2-2#	Lalor, Turner
Semi-Final Replay	Met. Police	(A)	2-1	Flain, King
NORTHWOOD:				
Preliminary Round:	Bye			
First Round:	E. Thurrock Utd.	(H)	3-1	Buckley, Omere, Randall
Second Round:	Southall	(A)	2-1	Rogan, Omere
Third Round:	Edgware Town	(H)	3-2	Omere (2), O.G.
Semi-Final:	Worthing	(H)	3-1#	Rogan (2), Omere

# Denotes extra time played.



#### THE DIADORA FOOTBALL LEAGUE

The Diadora Football League as we know it today was originally born over 80 years ago when three men of vision saw the need in the London area for a really strong amateur league. Those men, Tom Kirkup, for many years Secretary of the London F.A., George Clarke, Hon. Treasurer of Ilford F.C. and Frank Evans, Hon. Secretary of Clapton F.C. met and sent out invitations to six clubs to attend a meeting at the Winchester Hotel in Old Broad street to informally discuss he subject.

the meeting met with enthusiasm and soon the representatives had persuaded their committees of the value of such a competition. The late Harry Huband was approached to become Hon. Secretary and the Isthmian League was officially formed on March 8th. 1905 with Lord Kinnaird as President and Percy Timbs as Chairman.

The six clubs that formed the League on that inaugural season were London Caledonians, Clapton, The Casuals, Civil Service, Ealing and Ilford. London Caledonians were the first winners and Clapton were runners-up. It wasn't long before the League started an expansion programme which in due course led to the 85 club set-up of the present season in four separate divisions.

Personalities in those early days were all important, and none more so than Henry Huband who was Hon. Secretary and Treasurer for the first thirty years until 1935 and then President until his death in 1952. In fact, in many Isthmian boardroom's from the older clubs in the competition, his portrait which was presented to clubs after his death still looks out over the modern day running of clubs. During those years, the Isthmian League as far as the South of England was concerned also had a vice-like grip on the Amateur Cup with too many to name winners and finalists drawn from its ranks.

From next season the League will also be able to boast of three clubs who have gone on to embrace Football League membership. Wimbledon now in fact a Premier League club joined the Isthmian ranks in 1921 and were members until 1964. Maidstone United who sadly went out of business at the start of last season, were also members of the Isthmian League between 1959 and 1971 and of course Wycombe Wanderers will next season be competing in the Football League only six years after leaving our ranks.

The Isthmian League under the then Chairmanship of Barry East first embraced professionalism and sponsorship in the early 70's when Rothmans, Berger Paints and Servowarm all took turns at being the league's main sponsor. During the 1980's the present management structure under the guiding hand of present Chairman and Managing Director Alan Turvey transformed the league from two to four divisions and the highly successful sponsorship of Vauxhall Motors was obtained. the league enjoyed two three year sponsorship agreements which were attractive and rewarding for all parties concerned.

The league is now concluding its first two year agreement with the Diadora organisation which has seen the Italian Sportswear Company gain a share of the UK market and become a high profile advertiser on sports grounds around the country. Earlier in the season the league announced a two year extension to the agreement which everyone concerned hopes will be as successful and fulfilling as the last two seasons.

It is during the past decade that the league has emerged from the "amateur" tag that it previously had, and now plays a full part each year in the pyramid of football where it provides clubs with both a platform to rise from, and in the case of the clubs at a lower level, a target of membership to aim at.

In recent years, member club Southall reached the Final of the F.A. Challenge Vase, whilst Yeading went one step better and won the competition in 1990.

#### 1992/93 - A Season of League Football

#### **BARTON ROVERS**

#### (Division Two)

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Aug	22	Rainham Town	H	1-1	
	25	Malden Vale	H	0-3	
	29	Hemel Hempstead	H	0-3	
Sept.	1	Saffron Walden	Α	0-2	
	5	Newbury Town	A	2-2	
	19	Southall	Α	3-0	
	29	Egham Town	H	0-0	
Oct.	10	Harefield United	H	0-0	
	13	Hungerford Town	A	0-2	
	17	<b>Ruislip Manor</b>	H	2-1	
Nov.	7	Met. Police	H	0-1	
	14	Tilbury	Α	1-2	
	28	Chertsey Town	Α	1-0	
Dec.	5	Newbury Town	H	0-1	
	26	Ware	н	3-2	
	28	Hemel Hempstead	A	0-3	
Jan.	2	Rainham Town	Α	0-3	
	9	Berkhamsted Tn.	H	1-1	
Feb.	6	Southall	н	1-1	
	13	Hungerford Town	н	3-0	
	16	Hampton	Н	1-0	
	20	Harefield United	Α	2-0	
	22	Banstead Athletic	H	1-0	
	27	Witham Town	Н	1-1	
Mar.	3	Edgware Town	A	1-2	
	6	Egham Town	Α	0-0	
	9	Leatherhead	H	0-0	
	13	Worthing	Н	0-2	
	20	Ruislip Manor	Α	0-4	
	24	Leatherhead	Α	1-3	
	27	Met. Police	Α	2-4	
	29	Malden Vale	Α	2-2	
Apr.	3	Edgware Town	Н	3-0	
	5	Worthing	Α	0-4	
	10	Tilbury	H	0-2	
	12	Ware	Α	0-2	
	17	Hampton	Α	0-2	
	20	Saffron Walden	н	2-2	
	22	<b>Banstead Athletic</b>	Α	2-2	
	24	Chertsey Town	Н	2-2	
	27	Witham Town	A		
May	1	Berkhamsted Tn	Α		

#### NORTHWOOD

#### (Division Three)

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Aug	22	Bracknell Town	Α	0-0
Sept.	1	Royston Town	H	1-1
	5	Hertford Town	Η	2-1
	12	Horsham	Α	3-2
	19	Epsom & Ewell	Н	1-0
	26	Flackwell Heath	A	2-2
	29	Cove	Α	0-0
Oct.	3	Leighton Town	Н	1-1
	6	Clapton	H	2-0
	10	Thame United	A	2-0
	17	Collier Row	Н	1-2
	24	Feltham & Hounslow	Α	5-3
	27	East Thurrock Utd.	Α	1-4
	31	Aldershot Town	A	0-4
Nov.	7	Hornchurch	Н	4-3
	14	Camberley Town	Α	4-1
	28	Petersfield Utd.	Α	3-1
Dec.	5	East Thurrock Utd.	Н	2-3
	12	Clapton	A	1-0
	26	Kingsbury Town	Н	3-2
	28	Hertford Town	Α	3-3
Jan	2	Bracknell Town	Н	4-3
	16	Aldershot Town	Н	1-1
	23	Royston Town	A	2-3
	30	Flackwell Heath	Н	5-4
Feb.	6	Epsom & Ewell	A	5-2
	13	Leighton Town	A	1-4
	20	Thame United	Н	2-1
Mar.	1	Tring Town	A	3-3
	6	Cove	Н	0-1
	13	Feltham & Hounslow	Н	2-2
	20	Collier Row	A	0-5
	27	Hornchurch	Α	1-1
Apr.	3	Tring Town	Н	3-2
	10	Camberley Town	H	3-1
	13	Kingsbury Town	Α	1-1
	24	Petersfield United	Н	5-0
May	1	Horsham	Н	

Note: In Division two 42 matches are played, whilst in Division Three only 38 are played.

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