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# Secretary's Notes

#### by John Goldsworthy

This afternoon we are pleased to be invited to stage this match for the Vauxhall Charity Shield. As you may know an invitation is extended by the Vauxhall Opel League to the winner of the League Championship and the winners of the A. C. Delco Cup to participate.

We are therefore very pleased to welcome once again to Loakes Park the Bognor Regis Town players, officials and supporters. In addition we extend the welcome to the Chairman and Officials of the Vauxhall-Opel League and the representatives of the two County Football Associations.

The Vauxhall Opel League have informed us that the beneficial Charities are to be the HUNGERFORD FUND and the BRITISH HEART FOUNDATION. Many of you will know that Hungerford Town are members of the Vauxhall-Opel League, and may indeed have seen their Chairman, Mr. Ron Tarry on television, he also being the Town Mayor.

At the match a presentation will be made to last year's Charity of the proceeds of the match between Sutton United and Yeovil Town. The recipients will be "BEN" The Motor and Cycle Trades Benevolent Fund and Mr. Geoffrey Atkinson from the Fund will be present to receive the cheque.

Once again we are making a request for people to give their names to me who are prepared to act as Stewards on match days. I stressed in last week's programme the importance of these appointments so that we comply with the Safety Certificate issued on the ground under the Safety of Sports Grounds Act 1975.

The job of the steward will be one of manning various points on the ground so that they assist the public if an evacuation of the ground became necessary during a match. Involvement with any hooligans is primarily a Police matter. As a steward you will be required to attend the ground at least half an hour before kick-off and to receive your instructions. You will be required to wear a bib or similar denoting you are a steward. You will receive full entry to the ground, see the match and YOU WILL BE PAID. So let me have your name today.

Stand tickets will be available on Tuesday 8th September (when we play Fisher) for the F.A. Cup 1st Qualifying Round at Aylesbury on Saturday 12th September. The price of the tickets are  $\pounds$ 3 which includes ground admission. For other parts of the ground you pay at the turnstiles on the day of the match.

I am sure that on your behalf you would like me to convey to our Chairman, Brian Lee and in particular his wife Shirley Ann your sympathy and best wishes for a speedy recovery following the fire at their home last Tuesday which necessitated Shirley Ann being hospitalised for a few days.





by Alan Parry

I'm sure that I speak for everyone connected with the club in wishing a very warm welcome to the new manager, Peter Suddaby. His appointment came as a welcome relief from all the bad news which Wanderers seemed to be involved in at the start of this new season.

Older supporters will remember Peter as a very accomplished defender who played at Loakes Park in the 1969/70 season. He joined us after a spell with the most famous amateur club of that period, Skelmersdale United. Peter's performances for the Blues soon attracted the attention of a host of Football League clubs and he eventually turned pro' with Blackpool.

Between 1970-1979, Peter made over 350 first team appearances for the seaside club, many of them as captain. He was later transferred to Brighton and Hove Albion, where he played First Division football before moving on again to Wimbledon, then in the midst of their record-breaking rise from Southern League to First Division.

When Peter's playing career finished, he left the game to take up a teaching post, but was persuaded to return last year when Alan Mullery made him assistant manager at Brighton. Peter eventually returned to teaching when Mullery left the Goldstone Ground, but he carried on coaching on a part-time basis at Tottenham.

Now comes Peter's first tilt at management following the resignation of Alan Gane. He told me: "It's a great challenge. There's no reason why Wycombe can't do the same as Wimbledon and go all the way. I'm very excited about the club's potential and there's always been a soft spot for Wycombe in my heart. I continued to follow the club's fortunes even while I was playing League football in various parts of the Country".

Having been presented at the board meeting where Peter's appointment was decided, I can tell you that he was the unanimous choice from a very impressive list of applicants, which included men with First Division and even International experience as players.

On a personal note, I'm delighted that Peter has joined us because he's a fellow northerner and there aren't enough at Loakes Park! Seriously, I have heard nothing but good reports on Peter - he has exactly the qualities of leadership needed to get the club going in the right direction again after a period of uncertainty.

I'm sure you'll all join me in wishing him a long and successful stay as manager. Remember, the last time Peter was at Loakes Park, he ended up in the Football League.....Let's hope that he does so again, this time taking Wycombe Wanderers with him!

Cover Photo: Wycombe Wanderers' new Manager Peter Suddaby



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# Managers Comments

The events of the past few weeks have no doubt served to be confusing to all the supporters of Wycombe Wanderers. However managerial changes occur within every standard of football, and my only concern is now to get on with the job of producing a team at Wycombe that everyone can be proud of.

It is my duty to assist the present playing staff, the majority of which performed so magnificently last season, and strengthen where ever I think necessary.

It is the duty of the players to perform to the best of their undoubted ability, within the framework of a team plan.

Finally it is the hope of everyone at the club, that the supporters will provide the necessary encouragement during the coming months for Wycombe to progress as far as possible in every competition.

My own ambitions for the club are limitless; although I do appreciate that permanent progress can be frustratingly slow. However the aim is to bring league football to the deserving supporters of Wycombe Wanderers as soon as possible.

# SEASON TICKETS

The 1987/88 Wycombe Wanderers F.C. Season Tickets are now on sale. They can be purchased from Geoff Sutton in the hut opposite the new offices at the top of the ground. These allow entry to all G.M.V.C. games this season, and if used to their full will give a discount equivalent to free entry to four games.

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'86-87	VOL PREM	42	20	10	12	85	61	70	5th 1RP	1qu

Since that eventful night down at Bognor last April, "The Rocks" completed the 1986/87 season with 12 games in the final three weeks of the season. In that run-in they achieved a fifth placing in the League earning themselves a £750 cheque from sponsors Vauxhall-Opel. Bognor also picked up a further £1,600 when they defeated Hendon in the final of the A. C. Delco Cup. More glory came when they overcame Arundel in the final of the Sussex Senior Cup, winning 3-0 in a replay at Worthing following a 1-1 draw at the Goldstone Ground, Brighton.

The man behind the success at Bognor is Manager Jack Pearce, who has been at the Club since 1970 when he came as a player. He took over the Managership in 1976 and has been very much involved in the Club's rapid progress from the local Sussex County League to a nine year stay in the Southern League and then into the Isthmian League in 1981. They achieved promotion to the Premier Division in their first season and last season's placing of 5th was their highest so far.

Bognor opened their current Vauxhall-Opel League campaign with a 2-2 draw on Saturday when they met St. Albans City at Nyewood Lane.



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MARTIN COX (Defender) A summer signing from Worthing where he had been for nine seasons. A former apprentice with Brighton & Hove Albion.

MICK PULLEN (Defender) Mick is Paul's twin brother and has now made close to 500 appearances for "The Rocks". A Sussex County player and the Club's skipper.

JIMMY QUINN (Defender) Scotsman who has played for Queens Park and Clyde before moving south. Played for Worthing and Maidstone before moving to Bognor in the summer.

GRAHAM MARINER (Midfield) Now in his fifth season at Bognor following a move from Southern League side, Gravesend and Northfleet. Originally played his football for Portsmouth.

PAUL PULLEN (Defender) A versatile player who prefers to operate in a midfield role. Has been with the Club for over ten years and works full time in Bognor's commercial department.

RUSSELL BURTENSHAW (Midfield) Signed last season from Southern League side Crawley where he had been for three years. Previously at Dagenham, Wimbledon and Southampton.

DAVID POOLE (Forward) Originally played for the Club's youth team before signing as an apprentice with Southampton. Returned to Bognor seven seasons ago and has been a regular ever since.

KEVIN CLEMENTS (Forward) The third of Bognor's front trio and top scorer at the Club since joining the Club from Portsmouth nine seasons ago.

MARK WINZAR (Forward) Signed from Wessex League club Horndean towards the end of last term. Has also played for Fareham Town and Waterlooville.

MARK BIRD (Midfield) Joined Bognor as a teenager during season 1983/84. Is a sound utility player with excellent potential.

JOHN PRICE (Defender) Local teenager who was drafted into the senior side several times last season. Has had trials at Brighton & Hove Albion and Southampton.

GEOFF COOPER (Forward) Another product of Bognor's Youth team, graduating to first team duty in 1979. Now a regular in the first team and has netted valuable goals every season.

PAT EARLES (Forward) Former Southampton and Reading player who played for 13 years in the Football League. Played for R.S. Southampton last season scoring 53 goals.

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## Back In Time

#### by Steve Maguire

This afternoon is the fourth occasion in which the Wanderers have been involved in this fixture, which is normally contested between the winners of the league cup (now sponsored by A. C. Delco) and the league champions.

Our first appearance, however, back in 1981 was by invitation as Slough Town had won both trophies the previous season (along with the Berks and Bucks Senior Cup), and the league runners-up, Enfield, had accepted the invitation to move up into the Alliance.

The Wanderers line up that afternoon at Wexham Park saw one noticable change from the previous season's regular line-up, with Mick Holifield having retired after ten seasons at Loakes Park. Slough too were missing a player because of retirement, defender Dave Yerby, but had two new men in their side, Steve Hardwick, who had been released by the Wanderers a few months earlier and former Fulham favorite Les Barrett.

Goals from Terry Glynn, Jimmy Jacobs and Anton Vircavs were enough to clinch the match for us, with Slough's reply coming from Eggie James. The Wycombe team that afternoon was: G. Lester, P. Birdseye, S. Toll, B. Davies, A. Vircavs, B. Dell, H. Kennedy, P. West, T. Glynn, G. Tool (sub J. Jacobs) and S. Long.

After our championship success in 1982/3 we began the following season with a Charity Shield match at home to Sutton United, who had beaten us on aggregate in the league cup final on the same afternoon that we had learnt that we had become champions.

A single goal from Kenny Wilson in the end proved decisive, although the visitors created enough chances to have won the match. Twice in the second half the woodwork came to our rescue, while Gary Lester made a number of timely interventions. The Wycombe line-up was: G. Lester, T. How, M. Mill, A. Harman, A. Vircavs, B. Dell, P. West, J. Jacobs, T. Glynn, (sub S. Thorne), S. Perrin & K. Wilson.

Sutton also provided the opposition for our last Charity Shield match back in 1985, a game that was given added spice since we had gained promotion to the Gola League after only finishing third in the league (Sutton had won the championship the previous season but had felt that the time was not right for them to take the step up.)

Sutton's prolific striker Paul McKinnon put them in Front, but our own reliable goalscoring pair of Declan Link and Simon Read provided us with an equaliser and then the lead, and in the dying moments Neal Stanley (with his first goal for the club) sealed things to make our final winning margin 3-1. The team was: G. Lester, A. Riley, G. Pearce, D. Burgess, A. Vircavs, K. Collins, M. West (sub. R. Fairchild), S. Read, B. Dell, D. Link and N. Stanley.

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Aug 79	Enfield (Cup Winners)	0	
	Barking (Champions)	1	(D. Waite)
Aug 80	Enfield (Double Winners)	2	(P. Burton, J. McCombe)
	Sutton (Cup Runners up)	1	(P. McKinnon)
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Aug 82	Leytonstone/I (Double W.)	3	(D. Wells 2, M. Dingwall)
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	Sutton (Cup Winners)	0	
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	Sutton (Cup Winners)	3	(S. Galloway, P. McKinnon)
Aug 85	Sutton (Champions)	1	(P. McKinnon)
	Wycombe (Cup Winners)	3	(D. Link, S. Read, N. Stanley)
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#### THE MAN IN THE MIDDLE

Peter Helsby lives in Aylesbury and is married with 2 children. He works as a Civil Servant and outside football enjoys swimming and gardening. He became a Football League linesman in 1976, and a Vauxhall Opel League Referee in 1984, before progressing to the GMVC.

The highlights of his career so far include being linesman in 2 F.A. Cup Quarter Finals, one Milk Cup Quarter Final, and refereed the Hampshire Cup Final.

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