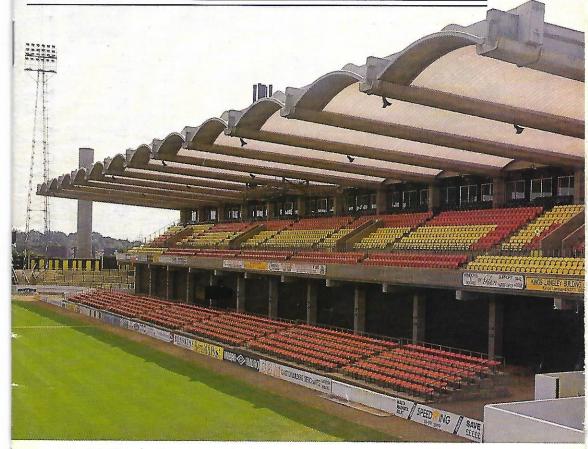
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BRIAN HALL WRITES...

Since Saturday I have been more than pleasantly surprised with messages of regret but with added words of future optimism. I've even had calls of "It's a blessing in disguise", although I cannot agree with those sentiments, but who knows? Most of the feelings expressed have been those of "The only way is up now". My personal thanks to those concerned.

The problem bothering me which I cannot get to grips with is why it has happened. I look back over the season and look at the matches in which we have played poorly and deserved to be beaten. Every side has bad games, but those days were thankfully not regular. The games that spring to mind are those away at Dover, Dartford and Chelmsford plus the home game against Worcester, followed by drawn games that should have been 3 points, and in my opinion they were as follows:- The away games at Poole, Burton, Bashley and Gravesend and the home game with Fisher Athletic. The rest of the season I just cannot explain, especially our last two games resulting in 1-0 defeats. Having read the programme and press reports, I have yet to find anyone who could find fault with the Cordice goal at Fisher. Except the referee! Equally neither could I say that I was totally satisfied with the standards of control or application of laws on Saturday last, but that could be construed as "sour grapes".

It has been muted generally in football circles that the game over a period of years has gradually deteriorated, and that Third World countries are improving. That may well be so, but we are in control of our own destiny, and if in fact our game is falling to a lower level, then it is the responsibility of players, managers and coaches to change their attitudes. It is also in my opinion a time for the official side of the game to consider a change of attitude, as I have witnessed a lowering in the standard of officials. It is regrettable that decisions are covered by an insurance policy marked "In the referees opinion". Sorry gentlemen, no redress in this department, no video evidence of poor refereeing permitted, only of foul play. It is only a personal feeling, but I have heard and do believe that British referees are undoubtedly the best in the world. The word that is missing is that SOME of the British referees are the best in the world, but certainly not all, and I fear that even that description may gradually disappear.

It seems such a shame, when Sport and Leisure is destined to be the industry of the future, that our National game could be ebbing. It is certainly up to EVERYONE in the sport to resurrect the standards.

My thanks to you all for following the Stones this season, and may I close by repeating my words at the Supporters Club Dinner last week. We've done it before – we can do it again!

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DORCHESTER TOWN F C ... A BRIEF HISTORY

DORCHESTER TOWN FOOTBALL CLUB was founded in 1880, and led a nomadic existence in their formative years, before settling at the Council Recreation Ground in Weymouth Avenue. In 1929 the Club moved two hundred yards south to the "Avenue Ground" where they remained until the surrender of their lease in May 1990. On 1st August 1990 the Club took possession of its new Stadium a stones throw south of its old ground. The "Avenue Stadium" stands on land owned by the Duchy of Comwall. Prince Charles as Duke of Comwall took an active interest in its design and made a handful of private visits during construction followed by an official visit on 27 November 1991 to inspect the finished work and unveil a commemorative plaque. The design comprises of a red brick structure with Portland stone facings, a refreshing change when compared with standard football architecture. A Tesco Supermarket has been constructed on the site of the old ground.

The Club competed at County level until 1946, when the adoption of semi-professional status led to them joining the Western League. Following promotion to the First Division Dorchester won the Championship of the Western League in 1954/55. Six years later they finished as Runners Up and

Winners of the League Professional Cup.

The Magpies joined the Southern League (Beazer Homes League) in 1972 and the early years were a struggle. In 1977/78 they gained promotion to the Premier Division finishing as Runners Up. However due to the formation of the Alliance League (now Vauxhall Conference) the Premier Division disappeared and the Club returned to the Southern Division. Two years later Dorchester won the Championship in their Centenary season.

The Magpies qualified for the Premier Division when it was re-formed in 1982/83, but within two years they were relegated following a severe financial crisis. The following season was no better when relegation into a feeder league was only narrowly avoided. A year later they completed a remarkable recovery by winning the Southern Division Championship to return to the Premier Division where they

have remained ever since.

Despite a promising start to this season, Dorchester have had to settle for a mid table position. Some consolation was gained though by defeating champions Bromsgrove in the Barclays Cup Semi-Final and meeting Dover in the Final. The second leg, with Dorchester 1-0 down from the first leg, was on Tuesday.

PEN PICTURES

GARY FRENCH (Goalkeeper) Recent signing, formerly with Southampton F.C. Very capable.

PETER MORRELL (Defender) Club Captain Peter is a fast strong player with a devastating shot. He joined Dorchester in August 1984 from neighbours Weymouth.

TONY WHITE (Defender) A former Northem Ireland Youth and Under 23 International player, who joined the Magpies from Bournemouth in November 1985. Initially on loan, the move was made permanent in August 1986.

NEIL COATES (Midfield) A very strong player and hard tackler who joined the Club from Yeovil. Another player who spent time with Bournemouth.

DAVID MORRIS (Defender) A loan signing from A.F.C. Bournemouth, who spent much of last season on loan to Be azer Homes League Champions Famborough Town.

GARY BORTHWICK (Midfield) A very industrious player who is also a great motivator. His previous Clubs include Portsmouth, Southend, Barnet, Bournemouth, Yeovil and Weymouth. Equally at home in midfield or defence.

TONY DIAZ (Forward) A Dorchester lad, of Spanish extraction. The eldest of three footballing brothers, two of whom play for Dorchester. He joined the Club midway through the 1986/87 season. He was the fifth highest goalscorer in the League last season with 20 goals.

PAUL MASTERS (Midfield) A close season signing from Southampton, following his release after four years at The Dell. A tireless worker who has bolstered the midfield.

GARY GREEN (Midfield) An ex Army player who when posted in West Germany played for Eintracht Branswick. Very strong player particularly when making surging runs from midfield.

GARY MANSON (Forward) Signed from Poole Town for a fee of £8000 in September 1991. A prolific goalscorer, Gary scored 103 goals in four seasons at Poole. Previous Clubs include Parley Sports and Wimborne Town.

MATTY LOVELL (Midfield) Another player on loan from A.F.C. Bournemouth. Young and quick right sided

PAUL ARNOLD (Manager) Appointed in July 1991. He spent a total of seven years as a player with Southampton, before joining Weymouth where he made 450 appearances. In 1987 he joined Poole Town and became Player Manager in 1988.

PREVIOUS MATCHES VERSUS DORCHESTER TOWN by Roy Couch

TEN SEASONS AGO (1981/82) . . .

Wednesday 24th February 1982

Southern League Cup Semi-Final 2nd Leg

Wealdstone (1)2 Dorchester Town (0)0

Goddard, Hardman, Pearce, Byatt, Bowgett, Barwick, Davies, Wainwright, A. Cordice, Wealdstone:

Perkins, Knowles (sub: N. Cordice).

Dorchester:

Hobson, Flay, McManus, Dyer, Chutter, Ames, Poore, Steele, Ames, Miller, Thome.

(sub: Drake).

A slick performance by Wealdstone, against the League leaders Dorchester, saw them through to the final of the Southern League Cup 5-1 on aggregate after goals from Alan Cordice and Robin Wainwright gave them a 2-0 victory in this semi-final second leg. Stones passage into the final was secured with many spectators still settling into their seats, as Byatt and Perkins combined to find Alan Cordice who fired home after just 11 seconds. Ten minutes into the second half Wealdstone took advantage of a mix up in the Dorchester defence to score again. Both keeper Hobson and Poore went for the same ball and their combined clearance fell to Wainwright who hit a fine shot into the net. Wealdstone went on to beat Gloucester City in the final.

THIRTEEN SEASONS AGO (1978/79) . . .

Saturday 3rd March 1979

Southern League Premier Division

Dorchester Town (4)5 Wealdstone (1)1

Dorchester:

Best, Bridge, Burley, Jones, Beaney, Forman, Marsh, Steele, Poore, Roberts, Brinkworth.

(sub: Gifford).

Clarke, McVeigh, Fursdon, Watson, Horgan, Boyle, Brannigan, Pearce, Johnson, Mount, Wealdstone:

Dorchester's long suffering fams went home happy after seeing their side come off the bottom of the League table with this win over Stones who crashed to their first defeat in ten matches. Wealdstone Manager Alan Fogarty was forced to play four reserves, Andy Clarke, Stuart Pearce, Richard Mount and John Plaskett, as injury problems hit crisis point. For Stuart Pearce it was the first of his 242 first team appearances in a Wealdstone shirt before moving on to Nottingham Forest and England via Coventry City. A whirlwind scoring spell just before the interval brought five goals in a hectic 16 minutes, four of them for Dorchester, and left the visitors shattered and effectively settled the match. The opening goal in the 27th minute was the result of a blunder by reserave keeper Clarke who made a present of his first goal of the season to Town's left back Richard Burley. Clarke came too far out to jump for Burley's diagonal 30 yard centre. The wind swept the ball towards goal and the keeper could only fumble it in to his own net. Before Wealdstone could recover from that setback Dorchester's Peter Poore soared high above Seamus Horgan to make it 2-0. Graham Roberts, later to join Spurs, Chelsea and Glasgow Rangers via Weymouth, added a third before Nigel Johnson headed home a corner for Wealdstone. Dorchester's Trevor Brinkworth quickly reasserted their authority making it 4-1 with the third goal in a 3 minute burst. Not surprisingly the second half was an anti-climax with just one more goal coming scored by Dorchester's Graham Roberts in the 54th minute.

OUR RECORD AGAINST DORCHESTER TOWN

			Sumar	v of	Leag	ue E	ncou	nters		
Souther League	Home	Away		P	w	D	L	F	A	2
Season		L1-2	Home	7	3	2	2	11	8	
1972/73 (First Div. Sth)	L2-3			8	2	3	3	11	15	
1973/74 (First Div. Sth)	W2-0	W2-1	Away			10.5	200707	22	23	
1978/79 (Premier Div.)	D2-2	L1-5	TOTAL	15	5	5	5	22	20	
1981/82 (Southern Div.)	L1-2	D2-2		122		_		01/0	_	
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SUPPORTERS CLUB REVIL

I realise how difficult it is for everyone to see through the apparent doom and gloom at present. The defeat at the hands of Gravesend on Saturday sealed our fate and we are all desperately disappointed.

Life and Football Clubs, however, go on. I know that we will all do our best, each in our own way, to get over the problems and failures of this past year. I know that I and my colleagues in the Supporters Club will continue to battle hard, working with the Board, to pull the situation around and put some much needed success back into our

As I've said on many occasions before, our energies and focus must now more than ever turn to commercial activities, in partnership with Commercial Manager Iam Crossley to raise funds on any and every occasion that presents itself. I'm afraid that as far as I am concerned it will no longer be good enough for individual supporters to reject becoming involved with the Schemes we are devising and putting into action. YOU HAVE TO HELP US – NOW!! This can start tangibly in early June when the "BLUE RIBBON" fundraising scheme is launched. If you really care for this Club of ours, can you really NOT afford £1.00 a week? (and the chance to WIN some cash!!). Those that are involved in the financing and administration of the Club will not be afforded the time to lapse into inactive depression about our current situation. Did YOU attend any of our recent Commercial meetings?

We were delighted with the turn-out at the recent Supporters Club Dinner/Dance, we had over 70 guests and it was a great evening. It is an indication of the problems that we face, however, when probably only 40% of the number were actual "supporters". This kind of indifference is frankly no longer acceptable if YOU want this Club to be

May I take this opportunity to thank my colleagues on the Supporters Club Committee for their undaunted hard successful again. work throughout the year. The amount of "behind the scenes" work that goes on is quite incredible. If you don't believe me, visit the Mini League sessions with Dave Albert on a Sunday morning, or take a look at Layne Patterson's

phone bill! Best wishes to everyone. I may be mad but I for one can't wait for next season!

NICK DuGARD, Vice Chairman, WFCSC

MEMBERSHIP/SEASON TICKETS FOR SEASON 1992/93

We are pleased to announce that there will be no increase in our admission prices for next season. Listed below are the prices for Membership/Season Tickets.

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CAPITAL LEAGUE FIXTURES

SEASON 1991/1992

Date	Opponents V	enue	Result	Date	Opponents	Venue	Result
1991				Wed. 12th February	Cambridge Utd	- A	D2-2
Wed. 28th August	Slough Town	Α	W3-1	Mon. 24th February	BRENTFORD	g = *H-	L3-6
Wed. 18th September		Α	L0-2	Mon. 2nd March	SOUTHEND UTD	*H	L1-4
Mon. 23rd September		rs A	D1-1	Mon. 23rd March	Brentford	. A	D1-1
Wed. 16th October	Colchester Utd	A	D2-2	Mon. 30th March	WOKINGHAM TO	WN H	1.0-2
Wed. 30th October	Barnet	A	LO-5	Wed. 1st April	LEYTON ORIENT	Н	U2-2
Wed. 6th November	SLOUGH TOWN	Ĥ	D2-2	Mon. 6th April	SUTTON UTD.	*H	W3-1
Mon. 11th November	SUTTON UTD		-	Mon. 13th April	COLCHESTER UT	D *H	W2-0
(Presidents Cup Rd. 2)	0011014 015	Н	11-2	Wed, 22nd April	Wokingham Town	Α	D1-1
Mon. 9th December	BARNET (at Barne	t) H	L2-5	Mon. 27th April	CRYSTAL PALAC	E H	W3-0
Wed. 18th December	Southend Utd.	Α Α	D2-2	Tue, 28th April	Levton Orient	Α	
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Mon. 20th January	WYCOMBE WANDERS	RS H	L0-4				
Thur. 30th January	Crystal Palace	A	D0-0				
Wed. 5th February	CAMBRIDGE UTD.		11-4	* At Harrow Borough			

NOTE: All Home Capital League matches will be played at Copthall Stadium, Page Street, off Gt North Way, Hendon, NW4

CAPITAL LEAGUE (Up to and including Friday, 24th April 1992)

				Home	3	God	als		Away		Go	als	
		P	W	D	L	F	Α	W	D	L	F	A	Prs.
1	BARNET	21	7	2	2	31	13	7	2	1	36	14	46
2	CAMBRIDGE UNITED	18	7	2	0	20	9	5	2	2	21	13	40
2	WYCOMBE WANDERERS	7.55	6	1	3	23	14	5	2	4	21.	14	36
Δ	LEYTON ORIENT	20	7	0	2	25	12	4	1	6	23	20	34
5	SOUTHEND UNITED	20	5	2	2	21.	13	5	0	6	19	14	32
6	SUTTON UNITED	20	7	0	2.	16	4	2	2	7	10	25	29
7	BRENTFORD	19	3	4	3	14	14	4	1	4	16	13	26
8	CRYSTAL PALACE	1.8	4	3	4	17	12	3	0	4	12	14	24
9	WEALDSTONE	20	2	2	6	16	30	1.	7	2	12	17	18
10	COLCHESTER UNITED	97076	4	2	3	14	18	1	1	8	6	25	18
11	WOKINGHAM TOWN	21	2	3	6	10	30	3	0	7	14	30	18
12	SLOUGH TOWN	1.7	1	0	8	11	32	1	3	4	11	19	9
12		DERSHO	T'S	JYAM	CHES	HAVE	BEEN	DELI	ETED				

CAPITAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE RESULTS - SEASON 1991 - 1992

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Barnet	4-1		0-2	1-0	2-2	3-1	3-2	2-2	2-1	2-0	5-0	9-0	2-3
Brentford	1-1	1-3			0-1	4-2	0-2	1-1	2-0	1-1	1-1	3-2	1-1
Cambridge Utd.	3-0	2-2	4-1		2-0	3-2	2-1		2-0	2-1	2-2		1-0
Colchester Utd.	9-1	1-3		3-3			0-2	1-0	3-2	2-1	2-2	2-0	0-5
Crystal Palace		0-1	2-0	1-1	1-0		1-0	2-3	2-3	3-3	0-0	5-0	0-1
Leyton Orient		1-2	1-0	1-4	3-2	3-1			1-0	7-0		4-0	4-3
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	lon 26	Cambridge City	A	BHL	L1-2	317	Hudson	Watson	Lowe	Tapley	Gore	Harrison	Hopson*	Kelly Harrison	Kelly	Wilson	Cordice	Govette†	Hedge*
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	led 4	Trowbridge Town	H	BHL	W3-1	412	Roach	Watson	Bartlett	Tapley	G/70 Gore	Harrison*	Hopson(3)	Kelly(1)	Wilson(1)	Cordice	Hedge(1)	Govette*	Donnellan
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	ue 29		A	BHL	L1-4	525	Roach	Watson	Lowe	Tapley	Forguson	McGuire	Browne Browne*	Hippolyte(1) Govette	Hippolyte	Wilson(1)	Donnellan	Pearson*	Kelly
NOV S			H	BHL	11-2	347	Roach	Watson	Lowe	Tapley	Bartlett Bartlett	Cordice Goyette(1)	Browne(1)	Donnellan*	Hippolyte(2)†		Cordice	Pearson(1)*	McGuiret
	ues 5		A		W5-0	210 678	Roach	Watson	Lowe Lowe	Hedge Hedge*	Burtlett	Harrison	Browne	Goyette	Hippolyte(1)	Donnellan	Cordice	Pearson*	McGuire
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S			A	BHL	W1-0	286	Roach	Watson	Lowe	Payne	Drummy*	Donnellan	Browne(1)	Pearson	Hippolyte	Wilson	Cordice	McGuire*	Goyette
	ved 27		A	BCC Rd 2		186	Roach	Watson	Lowe	McGuire	Bartlett	Cordice	Browne	Donnellan	Hippolyte(1)	Wilson*	Pearson	Hedge	Adamson*
	at 30		A	FAT 3rd Q		427	Roach	Watson	Lowe	Drummy	Bartlett	Cordice	Browne*	Donnellan	Wilson	Payne	Goyette	Hopson*	Richards Richards
	ved 4		H	FAT 3rd 0		367	Roach	Watson	Lowe(2)	Drummy	Bartlett	Cordice	Browne	Donnellan*	Wilson(2)	Payne	Goyette	Hopson*	Pearson*
	at 7	Poole Town	A	BHL	00-0	179	Hudson	Watson	Lowe	Drummy:	Richards	Cordice	Browne	Payne	Hippolyte*	Wilson	Goyette*	Donnellan Donnellan	Pearson(1)*
	ion 16	Dunstable	H	BCC Rd 2		155	Roach	Watson	Richards	Drummy	Bartlett	Cordice	Browne(1p)	Payne(2)	Hippolyte	Wilson Wilson	Govette	Donnellan*	Hedge†
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	hu 26		抖	BHL	D4-4	546	Roach	Watson	Lowe	Drummy	Burtlett	Cordice(1): Cordice	Pearson Pearson	Quinn	Donnellan(1)	Wilsont	Govette(1)	Hippolyte†	Hedge*
	at 28		H	BHL	W2-1	607	Roach	Watson	Lowe	Drummy:	Tapley Tapley	Cordice	Pearson*	Donnellan	Quinn	Wilson†	Goyette	Hippolyte*	Hedge t
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	at 18		H	BHL	W3-0	407	Roach	Watson	Lowe	Blacker(1)	Hedge	Cordice	Pearson	Quinn(f) †	Wilson	Donnellan(1)	Goyette*	Drummy†	Hopson*
	ues 28		H	BCC Rd 3		121	Roach	Watson	Lowe	Blackler	Hedge	Cordice	Pearson	Drummy	Wilson	Donnellan(1)	Goyette*	Tapley	Hopson* Hopson
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ħ	ues 4	Cambridge City	A	BCC Rd 3		216	Roach	Watson	Hedge	Drummy:	Blackler	Cordice(1)	Hopson*	Hippolyte	Donnellan	Pearson Donnellan	Goyette Govette*	Tapley	Hippolyte*
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	at 4		H	BHL	L1-4	435	Moussaddik	Watson	Lowe(1)	Tapley	Blackler	Hedge	Pearson	Quinn*	Tate	Hopson†	Venables	Cordice*	Wilson †
	at 11		A	BHL	W1-0	282	Moussaddik	Tapley	Hedge	Walford	Cordice	Lowe	Drummy	Blackler(1)	Talet	Venables	Pearson*	Donnellan*	Hippolyte†
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Just to remind Supporters that the Blue Ribbon Lottery starts on Friday, June 5th and everyones support is needed if we are to take this famous club back to its good times of the early and middle eighties. As most supporters have seen in the leaflet regarding the lottery, our weekly prizes amount to £400 per week which I hope in time to come will reach the £1000 per week figure, but this depends on your **SUPPORT** and **EFFORTS**. Last week Mr. Jack Shrimpton, Vice Chairman of the Northwick Park Hospital Childrens Appeal visited Vicarage Road to see me and he has said that he is very grateful for the support that this club is giving to the Appeal and that he will help in whatever way he can. At present Tony Waller, Barry Sullivan, Nick Woolford, Tracy Syer and Arthur Rogers are doing their bit to promote this lottery. I would also like to thank Martin Lacy who has helped me and the club in getting this lottery off the ground. He has put a lot of time and effort in doing the printing of the leaflets etc. Other long distance supporters who are spreading the Blue Ribbon gospel are Neale Harvey and Trevor Davies, bless you all!!

The numbers are building up for the Sportsman's Dinner on Friday, 8th May. Vinny Jones has said he is coming and Stuart Pearce has sent a Nottingham Forest No.3 Shirt from the recent League Cup Final against Manchester United. This is being auctioned at the Dinner, any pre-Dinner bids are welcome, in fact Mr. A. Timms from the White House Hotel has opened the bidding at £30.

IAN CROSSLEY

With regards to the Identify the Club Crests competition, I still have prizes for the following: Neil Boyle, Paul Adams, Rita Foley, Chloe Jackson and Chris Foley. If they would like to contact me I will give them their prizes. With regards to collection for Multiple Sclerosis we raised £70. Many thanks !!

VICARAGE ROAD CHAT

All that is at stake tonight is salvaging a bit of pride, because, win, lose or draw we now know that our fate for next season is already sealed. And unless you have had your head in the sand since last Saturday, you will know that our defeat at home to Gravesend has ended our fight to stay in the Beazer Homes Premier Division.

As I write these notes (Monday morning) the real depression of the situation is starting to hit me, as no doubt it has with you. We as supporters have had our patience stretched to the very limits over the past 12 months, losing our home, nearly losing our club altogther, and now losing our fight against Relegation.

One thing Stones Supporters are common with is tough battles. It is too late to do anything about this season, but when it comes to the next campaign, we must ALL be here doing our bit to regain our premiership status.

Losing our G.M.V.C. status was bad enough but this really hurts. However, deep down in my heart of hearts, I really couldn't have expected anything more, for the full repercussions of last summer is finally being realised. We the FAITHFUL SUPPORTERS and OFFICIALS who are left, are the ones that must turn this Club around. The Club as a whole must therefore be 100% united, and support like never before is called for.

Our new Commercial Manager, Ian Crossley is now a VITAL part of this club's future, because his job is to raise cash for this Club. Every supporter must do his bit and back him to the hilt.

THESE DIFFICULT TIMES FOR WEALDSTONE F.C. WILL BE EITHER THE MAKING OR THE BREAKING OF

THE CLUB, LET'S DO IT!

Last Friday saw our long awaited Dinner & Dance. Sincere thanks to everybody who attended. I am sure that everybody who did will have had an enjoyable time. JIM WISEMAN, a supporter who travels from Swanage was presented with the Annual Supporter of the Season, Jim is a most deserving winner . . . congratulations. Neil Cordice was presented with the Player of the Season, thus emulating his brother Alam's achievement a few years back . . . congratulations to him. Joint second were Tiv Lowe and Leo Donnellan.

Toby Jackson also presented a special "International Supporter of the Season" to our Italian friend Mattee Tonna. The enthusiasm Matteo shows for this Club is a tremendous encouragement to us all. Also many thanks to Toby for donating a prize for our Raffle. The real star of our show was former Supporters Club President and TV and Film personality CARDEW ROBINSON, who delivered a very amusing after dinner speech, and was a hit with us all.

Once again many thanks to everybody for attending.

Our A.G.M. which was held recently attracted a FEW loyal members, and a full report of the Clubs activities over

the past year was submitted.

All current committee members indicated that they will be willing to serve another 12 months with two positional

changes coming into effect. SUDHIR RAWAL has resigned as treasurer after 3 years, but will remain with us helping with the souvenir side. Sudhir has done an excellent job for the Club for which we all thank him. He is being replaced by somebody he knows quite well, and we wish Sarin good luck.

LEE CROSS has also stepped down as Assistant Secretary after $\mathbf l$ year in that position, many thanks to her for all the help she has given me. Dominic Whyley is the man who has taken over and somebody you will be hearing a lot

from next season.

At this point of the season it is only right to thank a few people. First my fellow Committee Members:- TOM VERRALL, RAY KEMP, NICK DuGARD, SUDHIR RAWAL, SARIN RAWAL, LEE CROSS, DOMINIC WHYLEY, HOWARD KRAIS, BARRY O'SULLIVAN, DARREN LINDEN and DANNY HELEN – thanks to all of them for the excellent efforts.

Also Steve Marshall who has kept our programme (yet again) head and shoulders above the rest \dots good luck to Steve and Sue who are getting married during the summer, as are Tony Platt and Dave Albert. Congratulations to

them all.

There are many, many more people who give up their time to keep this Club going. Well done to you all! Let's hope that the summer is long and hot, with some good news from Sweden and Barcelona for us all. Good wishes, enjoy the break and see you ALL in August.

LAYNE PATTERSON Secretary



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SIDELINES by Neale Harvey

Well, the "fat lady" sang and mathematically at least, we are relegated. After all the doubts and the hopes of the past few weeks it almost came as a relief to be put out of our misery by Gravesend last Saturday. We can't in any way, shape or form say that we didn't deserve to end up in the bottom four and if you want statistics to back that up, try the following. Since the 1st of January this year we have played 18 League matches, winning just 4, drawing 2 others and losing 12. During those matches we have managed only 14 goals while conceding exactly double that amount. Our League position is therefore a true reflection of our form and we can have no complaint.

In troubled times like these it is very easy to criticise and undoubtedly in the past few weeks, tension has built up and people have said things that have only served to aggrevate an already problematical situation. From a supporters point of view, this season has been an absolute nightmare and if you think back to some of the optimistic words expressed in the final programme of last season, you will soon realise why. People were desperate for a good season, but it didn't materialise. Everybody knows the reasons why and it is a fact that we only just started this season, but nonetheless it is fair to say that we didn't bargain on being relegated. Naturally, there has been some reaction.

From the Manager's point of view, this season has probably been worse than a nightmare. With virtually no 'close season' in which to construct and prepare a team, Brian Hall was forced to cobble together a squad that contained the vast majority of last seasons side. With new players being introduced as things went along, we never had a chance of fielding a settled team. Allied to poor form, the results are apparent. The tension that I mentioned previously has inevitably surfaced and Brian must feel that everyone is against him. The fates have certainly conspired to make this a season to forget.

Our management team should not despair though and I can certainly say that everyone is not against them. There is no doubt in my mind that the current supporter unrest has its roots in history, rather than the more recent lack of success. The despondency of late merely represents the manifestation of pent up frustrations built up over the past six and a half seasons. Allow me to elaborate.

The current demise of the playing fortunes of Wealdstone Football Club began in the immediate aftermath of our 1984/85 double triumph. With the world at our feet, Brian Hall was instructed to cut the wage bill. Brilliant! An ageing side managed to hold its own near the top of the Conference until the turn of the new year in 1986. Then wallop. After a tremendous 3.2 win at Bath in early February had put us right in contention, the snow came and four weeks were wiped out. So were we. The real turning point came on Teeside when on a cold winter night we lost our grip on the F.A. Trophy at South Bank. I'll never forget that night and I remember remarking to Dave Parish on the coach home that "the bubble had burst". We won only one more game all season and finished mid table. From that night at South Bank until this day our followers have had little to cheer about, but have suffered much misery and false promise.

The 86/87 season saw continual struggle. 52 matches, 13 wins, 13 draws and 26 defeats. We just avoided the drop but lost Hally to Yeovil, Les Reed to the F.A. and couldn't decide on a new Manager. Barry Neville had a go before the infamous decision was taken to appoint Colin Meldrum prior to 87/88. What a shambles. A Manager who commuted from Blackpool with no local contacts put together a team of no hopers. With due respect to Don and Phil we knew we were in big trouble when supporters had to play against 'Alty' and Runcom. Of 49 matches, just 6 were won and we went down, with new Manager Tony Jennings ready to get us back. It was about this time that all the off field problems began to surface and David Morritt was rarely seen. Alan Clifton replaced him.

88/89 opened with a bang. Tony Lynch was at his best and the goals flew in as we headed the Beazer in November. Then came the heavy pitches and it all collapsed. Damny Bailey went to Exeter and that was that. The double was already a distant memory as relegation threatened again and our supporters became more disenchanted. 89/90 opened disasterously and Jenno was soon fired, to be replaced by Alan Gane. We always flattered to deceive and we lost count of the number of "false dawns" that came and went. We won 22 matches that season out of 59 and never threatened anything other than midtable mediocrity.

More of the same followed at the start of 90/91 and Alan Gane was fired. That brought Brian back and into a horrible situation that left him with players on long contracts and more importantly, the home and future of the Club in doubt. Again, only 20 wins from 54 games gave us mid table but little else. This seasons decline has seen us win just 175 for the cheek.

17 of the 54 matches we've played and again our supporters have little to cheer.

In the six seasons from 86/87, Wealdstone have played 330 competitive matches, winning 103, drawing 81 and losing 146. Not a good record and yet by and large the supporters have stood by the Club. A few have become disendented and not come back and we lost a few by moving to Watford. We don't get big crowds, never have, and yet we still take a lot of people to away matches. This is true passion and is not seen at any other non-League club that is struggling. When people care passionately about something, the possibility exists for emotions to be laid bare and that has happened.

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I yearn for the days of not so long ago when our players, management and supporters knew each other, mixed with each other and came to respect each other. We have a "normal" close season ahead of us now and the future starts conight. Let us all take stock and set our stall out for next season, a season that could act as a springboard. We have potential here in David Pollock and his team. Let's for heavens sake go and realise it. Get your head up Brian, you've only had 2 bad years out of 12. Not bad!

THE SUDHIR RAWAL COLUMN

I thought long and hard before writing tonight's programme notes. I pondered whether I should write any at all. This was not because of any apathy on my part but due to the fact that my real feelings, emotions, sorrow and even anger can not be reprinted in a club programme. I would in effect be editing myself. However having deliberated carefully, I considered that writing even within the constraints of the programme to be the best avenue to reflect my own personal feelings.

Defeat against Gravesend and Northfleet finally confirmed our relegation. Wealdstone have not played at a lower level than the one which they will find themselves next season since before I was born. Probably

before the majority of people at tonight's match were born.

I am trying to find some small crumb of comfort in the gloom and doom of the aftermath. Obviously, there is none, except maybe at least the uncertainty is now finally over. No more calculating the various permutations of how results would effect our League position. How hope is lifted one moment only to be dashed the next. My nightmare is going on tour with SFC not knowing our fate has not materialised. Almost relief, but no real solace. Yes, we might somehow be saved from Southern Division or Diadora One oblivion because of League reorganisations, amalgamations, or financial problems at other clubs. If so, will next season be any different? It was hard enough to justify to work colleagues or friends why you support Wealdstone before relegation, let alone now.

We will be a division below Borough. How can we still justify calling ourselves the localities biggest side?

True, our crowds are still bigger than theirs, but our status lower.

How emotions changed over the last three weeks. The total despondency after Worcester to the elevated heights of Moor Green and Chelmsford. Only to plummet back towards the depths after Fisher and Gravesend. If anyone wanted to know how much pride and passion we, the supporters, have for this club than they only had to look at the incredible scenes of celebration when Martin Blackler scored the second goal against Chelmsford. They had to only look at the sea of glum, numb, stunned faces at Salter Road when Fisher won, where Stones supporters out-numbered home fans three to one.

A week may be a long time in politics, but in football surely this well wom phrase takes on even greater significance. Sitting in the bar after the Chelmsford match I was convinced that we would avoid the dreaded drop, just seven days and two defeats later at the hands of the bottom two, and already relegated, teams in the

league Wealdstone find themselves condemned.

Did we deserve to be relegated? Well just looking at the cold, harsh statistics against our fellow banished sides, in six matches all we could muster were three meagre draws and three single goal defeats. We had the easiest run in of all the teams.

That should say it all.

Maybe out of naivety or just pure blind support, I still maintain that this side is capable of finishing in the top half of this division. We all know where us, the supporters, think they lack, and again I can not state it here as I would be edited.

I do not contemplate our support will diminish materially next season. It is already at the lowest level in the club's history. In seven short years since we won the 'double', not only have we been relegated twice, our much loved home torn down, but crowds have halved. We are staunch supporters. We do care, otherwise we would not still come and watch. We still have pride and passion. I certainly do. Just as much as I first had eighteen odd years ago.

The glum faces said it all following the Gravesend defeat. The perverse fact is that come the start of the season the majority will be back again and probably optimistic as well. True supporters? Yes, the bulk

of us are.

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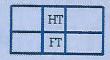
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