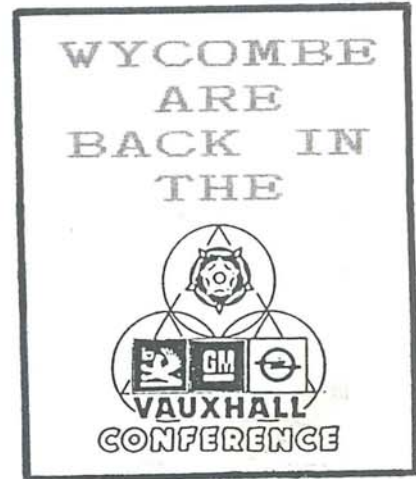
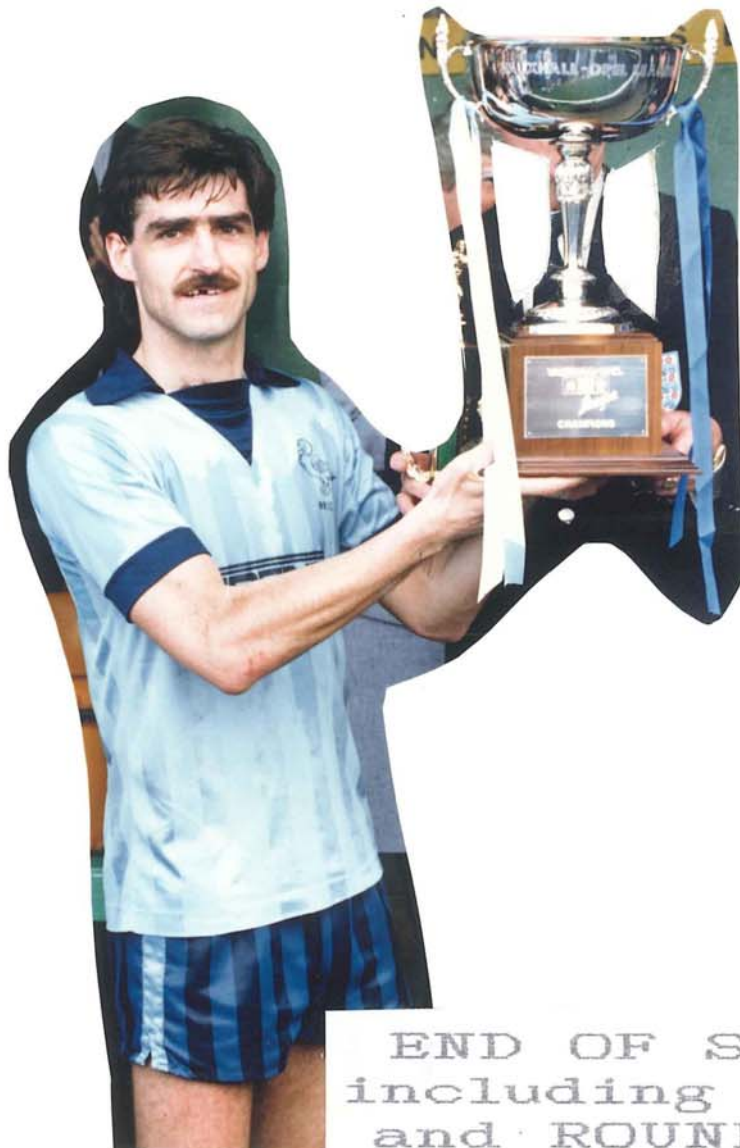


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EDITORIAL

Welcome to the final issue of the season (please pass the word around that this extra addition is on sale today). We hope to return next season when as a GMVC side we can once again sample the delights of national football and compete with the elite of non-League football on equal terms.

But what else have we got to look forward to next season? Alan Gane will no doubt be looking to strengthen the squad over the summer months in time for our opening competitive fixture of the season - a Vauxhall Charity Shield match against our friends from Bognor. There may even be a trip to Turf Moor to play Burnley or will we be going Torquay, Tranmere or Lincoln? Don't be surprised to find The Wanderers entering the F A Cup at the 1st Qualifying stage in what is a potentially hazardous route to the competition proper. Discussions about the new ground have just begun to materialise again so we can expect to see the arguments for and against hotting up over the close season, through next season and probably for ever.

We have seen what success can do to attendances, just look at Barnet and Aylesbury whose attendances have soared this season. The crowds at Loakes Park this season have averaged just over 1,100 and it would be great to see this figure increase - even if we are not challenging for honours. If we are challenging for honours, who knows what will happen?

Thanks for your support - see you next season.

Paul Lewis

Contributions and assistance for this issue from Phil Ball, Simon Burrage, Steve Maguire and Pete Oxbrow.

A VIEW FROM THE TERRACES

by Simon Burrage.

How on earth can mere words do justice to the memories we all now have of April 1987? Well, I'd better make some kind of attempt to write this month's column (pass the Alka Seltzer) - please forgive me if I get carried away! ("I wish someone would carry him away" - Ed).

Just looking back for a moment, it was one year ago this week that we went to Slough and saw a tired, sad Wanderers' team lose the County Cup Final replay to Aylesbury. I remember very little of that match: my enthusiasm for the game was at an all time low. 18 hours earlier I had watched Runcorn and Dagenham contrive the result which sent us down into the bottom 3, on goal difference, for the first and only time, and confirmed our relegation from the Gola League. Heading south after the game it felt like heading back to oblivion; we had been given just long enough in the Gola to see that it was where Wycombe Wanderers had to be if the Club was ever to do justice to its history and ambitions. It could take years to regain a place in the top flight - couldn't it? (Chorus from Somerset - Yes!). I looked out of the car windows, the miles sped past and though we tried hard to laugh at each others jokes, I can remember feeling a few tears filling my eyes as the disappointment and frustration took hold. It's probably really stupid to care that much about football; God knows I tried hard not to care that afternoon.

The point I am trying to make by mentioning this is one of my favourite football clichés - "you have to suffer the bad times to fully appreciate the good times". Indeed - and good times don't come much better than those we have had recently. Bognor Regis! Hitchin! Wolverton! Dulwich! I don't think we'll forget April 1987 in a hurry.

I remember looking at my watch during the closing stages of the game at Bognor. 44 minutes, 30 seconds it said. With the score at 1-1 my anxiety at the prospect of going to Hitchin the following Saturday, still requiring a win to clinch the Championship were momentarily forgotten as Keith Barrett lofted a routine free-kick from inside our own half towards the Bognor goal. For a split second I imagined that a Bognor defender had headed the ball into his own net - suddenly the reaction of the Wycombe players and the roar of the hundreds of travelling Blues fans (what phenomenal support we had that there - was that really a Monday night Isthmian League game at Bognor?) indicated that I hadn't imagined it after all. Just seconds later it was all over, the Championship was in the bag and the pitch was a mass of singing and dancing. We could probably fill this edition of Chairboys Gas with individual stories of that nights celebrations - everyone has their own story to be told and re-told for years to come (the one about a car-load of Wycombe fans being stopped and threatened by C I D officers in the town-centre afterwards because they were singing and shouting too loudly was one of my favourites....)

Follow that! Near impossible, I would have thought, but just to keep the champagne flowing, Andy Graham popped in a late winner - in the last 10 seconds?! - at Hitchin, and gave us another excuse to congratulate the players on the pitch as the silverware was handed out - another excuse for a night of celebration.

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Well, let's not be too greedy, but wouldn't it be nice if we could take the Berks & Bucks Senior Cup off Aylesbury? One B&B Cup coming up! For most Wycombe fans, myself included, this was a first visit to Wolverton, surely one of the most strangely set-out football grounds we've been to. If anyone reading this can tell me why there is that odd-looking banking behind the goal, I'd like to know! Really I wouldn't want to begrudge Wolverton Town the opportunity to stage the County Cup Final in their centenary season, but let's face it, the playing surface was atrocious and at times reduced a match between two good footballing sides to something of a lottery. The Ducks unfortunately had to fit in 3 league games and a GMAC Cup tie on the morning of the final, so they were a little jaded and Wycombe callously inflicted an extra half-hour on them before sticking a few goals in. Aylesbury officials were understandably distressed at the extra-time, as it caused them to delay their two league fixtures scheduled for that evening. The Aylesbury players, meanwhile, sensibly attempted to force a replay but couldn't quite pull it off. So it was more silverware for Wycombe, more congratulations for the players, more celebrations for us. It was a pity that some of the season's key players could not play in these last few games. Pelé - sorry, Kirk Corbin, injured while fouling a Carshalton player a few weeks earlier - Anthony Riley, blackmailed by V S Rugby (how well Westie filled in at right back though) and Graham Bressington (officially) injured while attending to a family illness (one of Auntie Deirdre's tackles from behind, no doubt - but does she live in the Channel Islands?!)

A testimonial match at Staines the following Tuesday was notable only for the curious line up we finished the game with; as if to redress the balance for Bressy having coped so well in goal in a couple of games this season, Gary Lester joined the likes of Simon Read (guesting from Farnborough) and Alan Parry (he could have done better if he hadn't insisted on giving a running commentary while he played) in the outfield and just may be the new Platini, but then again maybe not.

And so to Dulwich, for our last league fixture of a glorious season; more of an all day party for some than a football match. Wouldn't it be just a little bit too greedy to hope for those club records to be broken - one win and four goals required. Oh well, just another dream to come true. By the time Mark Dawber gleefully smashed home goal No.4 it was already clear that this was to be another jaunt onto the pitch - this time for the player's Championship medals. Just one month earlier we were only too aware that being on the verge of success can sometimes ultimately lead to bitter disappointment; and as we have seen, it is easy to have so many irons in the fire that you end up with a Duck.

32 league wins out of 42 matches - just 5 defeats, and each of them by the odd goal in games we may well have deserved to draw. Literally a 'ton' of points and goals - the figures speak for themselves. Alan Gane will be well aware that things will be very different next season. We all know that he and his players will find things a lot more difficult back in the GMVC, and at times we may well wonder what happened to the euphoria of this spring. There will be those who will call for Alan Gane's head and barrack the players if we lose the first few games but whose worrying about that now? No-one can take away from them their achievements of this season - and I don't care if any of this sounds corny; they have done us proud. Roll on next August - WYCOMBE ARE BACK!!!

DO THEY MEAN US? *investigated by Steve Maguire*

This month we take a detailed look at what the papers had to say about the County Cup Final as unfortunately my copies of the Hitchin and Bognor papers have not arrived in time to beat the editor's deadline. This means we will have to wait a while longer to try and get confirmation of the story about Jack Pearce, the Bognor Manager, storming out of the stand in disgust and kicking down a gate after our last minute winner. Incidentally, I hope that everyone appreciates what Bognor have done for us this season - they took five points off Yeovil and of course scored our winning goal in both our matches with them.

Well, the Berks & Bucks got a fair amount of coverage, and thankfully there weren't too many of the 'Duck Hunting' type comments, although the Midweek did manage another terrible headline. There were the usual crop of mistakes too, with the preview in the Free Press wiping our B&B wins in 1978 and 1979 from the record books, while the Bucks Examiner, who went for a narrow Wycombe win, did so, it would appear, purely on the strength of the two clubs' respective league positions (rather strange logic I felt).

The Examiner's report also contained a rather baffling statement when they referred to Cliff Hercules scoring for Wycombe - I didn't know that we had signed him, but if we ever do he will be embarrassed by the comments he made earlier in the season in The Thame and Risborough Times when he said *"I'm not interested in moving to a Vauxhall Conference side and anyway Aylesbury can beat Wycombe ANYTIME they want"*.

Turning now to the Bucks Herald I can't decide what to make of their report. Certainly it gives a better reflection of the game than the Midweek, but I don't know why Kevin Nicholls thought that *"Wycombe were a disappointment probably because more had been expected from a side that have been run-away leaders in the VOL all season."* Did he take into account the pitch? I know it was the same for both sides but it was still a joke surface. No mention either of the Wycombe casualties (Corbin and Bressington) who both missed the game and no mention that our leading scorer turned out in the back four! Next from Nicholls is that it was only the performances' of Barrett and Ashford that *"kept them from being a very ordinary side."* Following that line of thought, it surely applies to any club whether they are in the GMVC, Southern League or First Division. After all, it's only Liverpool's good players that stop them from being just a 'very ordinary side'.

Finally this month, as we were rather critical of the Bucks Free Press and their coverage of this season's games in our last edition, I was hoping to avoid covering the same subject again, but I feel that some of the recent away reports call for some comment.

While on one hand it was nice to see the piece the Free Press did on the Bognor game (and the celebrations afterwards) - it made a pleasant change to make the front page without getting a slagging - the coverage of the Hitchin and Dulwich games was, to say the least, disappointing, particularly since they had built the Dulwich game themselves. I realise that we are not the only football club inside the paper's circulation area, but if they can't spare anybody to get to Hitchin or Dulwich, what hope do we have next season when we travel to the likes of Altrincham, Macclesfield or Runcorn?

The VAUXHALL-OPEL



League News

Not only will Wycombe pick up a cheque for £3,500 for winning the Vauxhall-Opel League they will also receive a share of the £3,000 divisional pool for their five league wins by 4 goals or more and a share in the goal difference awards as well as £250 for reaching the Third Round of the A C Delco Cup.

YEOVIL TOWN pick up £2,500 for finishing in the runners-up spot again while SLOUGH TOWN earn £1,325 for taking third place some 24 points behind The Wanderers. Slough just made the deadline in their quest to improve their ground to an 'A' grading, although it took two attempts for the inspection committee to give the OK on some fencing surrounding the ground. WINDSOR & ETON were also given an 'A' grading for their Stag Meadow ground after erecting fencing around the ground and fully enclosing the playing area. The Club were rewarded for their efforts by having the honour of staging the A C Delco Cup final between BOGNOR REGIS TOWN and HENDON. On the playing side, Windsor enjoyed a unbeaten run of twelve league games to finish the season in 13th place. Since losing to Wycombe 11-1 in a Berks & Bucks match at Loakes Park in January, Windsor have lost just one match, a 5-1 defeat at Stag Meadow also to Wycombe. Even more remarkable is the fact that Windsor have conceded just 13 league goals this season at Stag Meadow - the fewest in the league.

BOGNOR REGIS, who have done Wycombe some big favours this season, defeated Hendon 3-2 in the Final of the A.C.Delco Cup to earn £1,600 in addition to the £500 awarded for finishing sixth in the table. Bognor played 12 games in the final three weeks of the season and to cover for injuries, Manager Jack Pearce signed 13 players just before the transfer deadline. The 13 players were all from local clubs.

In addition to reaching the final of the A C Delco Cup, HENDON also reached the final of the GMAC Cup with a 3-1 replay victory at Claremont Road over Trophy finalists Burton Albion. Hendon who have also beaten Hayes, Kingstonian, Fisher Athletic, Dagenham and Sutton United on the way to the Final play Kettering, who have beaten Telford, Boston, Altrincham, Runcorn and Aylesbury, for the right to the £2,500 prize money offered to the winners. Runners-up spot offers £1,500. In the league Hendon finished a creditable fourth place to earn a further £1,000 in sponsorship money.

At the other end of the table WORTHING and WALTHAMSTOW AVENUE are to be replaced in the Premier Division by LEYTONSTONE/ILFORD and LEYTON WINGATE. 'The Stones' who are the tenants of Walthamstow's Green Pond Road ground are returning to the Premier Division after a two year absence. Their current manager, John Still, who rejoined the Club this season was in charge of the side when they completed a grand slam of trophies in season 1981/82.

Relegated from Division One are FINCHLEY, MAIDENHEAD UNITED, EPSOM & EWELL and TILBURY. Promoted from Division Two (South) are CHESHAM UNITED and WOLVERTON TOWN with WOKING and MARLOW taking the other two promotion places from Division Two (North). Woking's top scorer Tim Buzaglo has attracted the attentions of many of the top clubs in the area.

Finally, Barry Silkman is on the move again, this time from Essex side Tilbury to Premier Division BISHOP'S STORTFORD. Barry started the season with Crewe before showing off his skills at Wycombe and then Chelmsford before a move to Tilbury. Stortford beat Yeovil 1-0 in their final game of the season at Rhodes Avenue.

Season 1986-1987



Premier
Division

Vauxhall-Opel League : Premier Division

Final Table

TEAM	PL	W	D	L	F	A	PTS	DIFF
1 Wycombe Wanderers	42	32	5	5	103	32	101	71
2 Yeovil Town	42	28	8	6	71	27	92	44
3 Slough Town	42	23	8	11	70	44	77	26
4 Hendon	42	22	7	13	67	54	73	13
5 Bognor Regis Town	42	20	10	12	85	61	70	24
6 Harrow Borough	42	20	10	12	68	44	70	24
7 Croydon	42	18	10	14	51	48	64	3
8 Barking	42	16	14	12	76	56	62	20
9 Farnborough Town	42	17	11	14	66	72	62	-6
10 Bishops Cleeve	42	15	15	12	62	57	60	5
11 Bromley	42	16	11	15	63	72	59	-9
12 Kingstonian	42	16	9	17	58	50	57	8
13 Windsor & Eton	42	13	15	14	47	52	54	-5
14 Saint Albans City	42	14	9	19	61	70	51	-9
15 Carshalton Ath.	42	13	9	20	55	68	48	-13
16 Wokingham Town	42	14	6	22	47	61	48	-14
17 Hayes	42	12	12	18	45	68	48	-23
18 Dulwich Hamlet	42	12	10	20	62	71	46	-9
19 Tooting & Mitcham	42	12	9	21	42	53	45	-11
20 Hitchin Town	42	13	5	24	56	69	44	-13
21 Worthing	42	8	9	25	58	107	33	-49
22 Walthamstow Avenue	42	4	6	32	36	113	18	-77



GOALSCORER OF THE YEAR

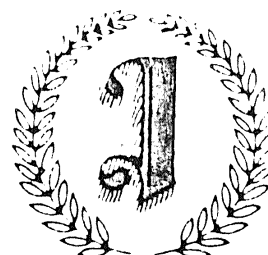
LEADING GOALSCORERS:

		Lge	AC	GMAC
30:	Jimmy Bolton (Farnborough Town)	18	10	2
26:	Alan Hull (Barking)	21	5	
25:	Micky Edmonds (Worthing)	21	3	1
23:	Mark West (Wycombe Wanderers)	20	3	
22:	Iain Dowie (Hendon)	18	1	3
20:	Laurence Holmes (Harrow Borough)	17	2	1
	Simon Read (Farnborough Town)	18	2	
19:	Geoff Pook (Worthing)	19		
	(inc. 17 @ Southwick)			
18:	Jimmy Brown (Slough Town)	15	1	2
	Joe Blochel (Bognor Regis Town)	12	6	1
17:	David Cooper (Bognor Regis Town)	13	2	2
	Tony Kelly (Hayes)	17		
16:	Colin Tate (Hendon)	11	4	1
	Rob Smale (St. Albans City)	15	1	

VAUXHALL-OPEL



GOODBYE





SCARBOROUGH earned national fame when they took the GMVC title and so claimed 'automatic' promotion to the Football League. With just one defeat in their final 24 league games, including 13 straight victories away from home, 'The Boro' clinched the title when Barnet failed to defeat Stafford Rangers at Underhill. A record Alliance crowd of 5,640 turned out to see the new Champions in their final game of the season at Seamer Road.

At the other end of the table WELLING UNITED joined FRICKLEY ATHLETIC and GATESHEAD in the trio of clubs relegated from the GMVC this season. Welling were promoted from the Southern League last season having lost only three league games all season. Gary Abbott their leading scorer will now be a transfer target. Earlier this season Abbott had talks with Spurs but insisted that he wouldn't leave Welling until the season was over.

NORTHWICH VICTORIA's hopes of a long term future at The Drill Field received a welcome boost during April when the local council Chief Executive announced that he would be recommending the acquisition of the ground to his council members. The Club say they have five options open to them next season, including sharing with Crewe Alexandra. Only one, however, the local council leasing the ground back to the Club, will guarantee 'The Vics' future at their Drill Field Stadium. The Club have arranged a meeting for May 24 in which shareholders will accept one of the five options.

Ex-Wycombe central defender, Anton Vircavs, suffered a broken leg in the recent Mitchell and Butlers Cup match between CHELTENHAM TOWN and Forest Green. Anton will now miss the Middlesex Wanderers tour of Jordan.

SUTTON UNITED who finished in a healthy seventh place in their first season in the Conference had their best league crowd for over ten years when 1,430 turned out to see Sutton play Scarborough. The attendance was swelled by a large contingent from Barnet who saw Boro win 2-0.

Sutton were also involved in WEYMOUTH's last ever league game at the Recreation Ground. Weymouth allowed spectators in free for the finale and officially gave the gate as 1,700 - their highest of the season. Weymouth have parted company with manager Brian Godfrey who had his contract with the club cancelled by mutual consent. Godfrey had been in charge since December 1983 and before he left set up a deal which took Weymouth's 21 year midfielder, Tom Jones, to Aberdeen. After a week's trial with the Scottish Premier Club they were suitably impressed with the former Farnborough Town and England Semi-Pro International to sign him on for a 'substantial four figure fee'.

WEALDSTONE only narrowly avoided relegation but Club Chairman David Morrith has begun talks with the Inner London Education Authority with a view to purchasing the 35-acre Prince Edward Playing Field in Canons Park, north London. If the sale goes ahead, Mr Morrith will build a 10,000 capacity multi-purpose stadium ready for the start of season 1988-89. The proposed £2 million move would be financed by the sale of Wealdstone's Lower Mead Stadium which has been earmarked for a large supermarket and car park development.

KIDDERMINSTER HARRIERS earned their first ever trip to Wembley with a two-legged victory over Fareham Town to reach the final of the F A Trophy. Harriers top scorer, Kim Casey, finished top of the GMVC goalscoring charts again with a league total of 38 goals.

Season 1986-1987

G.M. Vauxhall Conference

Final Table



TEAM	PL	W	D	L	F	A	PTS	DIFF
1 Scarborough	42	27	10	5	64	33	91	31
2 Barnet	42	25	10	7	86	39	85	47
3 Maidstone United	42	21	10	11	71	48	73	23
4 Enfield	42	21	7	14	66	47	70	19
5 Altrincham	42	18	15	9	66	53	69	13
6 Boston United	42	21	6	15	82	74	69	8
7 Sutton United	42	19	11	12	81	51	68	30
8 Runcorn	42	18	13	11	71	58	67	13
9 Telford United	42	18	10	14	69	59	64	10
10 Bath City	42	17	12	13	63	62	63	1
11 Cheltenham Town	42	16	13	13	64	50	61	14
12 Kidderminster Harr	42	17	4	21	77	81	55	-4
13 Stafford Rangers	42	14	11	17	58	60	53	-2
14 Weymouth	42	13	12	17	68	77	51	-9
15 Dagenham	42	14	7	21	56	72	49	-16
16 Kettering Town	42	12	11	19	54	66	47	-12
17 Northwich Victoria	42	10	14	18	53	69	44	-16
18 Nuneaton Borough	42	10	14	18	48	73	44	-25
19 Wealdstone	42	11	10	21	50	70	43	-20
20 Welling United	42	10	10	22	61	84	40	-23
21 Frickley Athletic	42	7	11	24	47	82	32	-35
22 Gateshead	42	6	13	23	48	95	31	-47

GM VAUXHALL CONFERENCE ATTENDANCE SURVEY (1986/87 complete)

Club	Aver	Best	Versus (Date)	% change from 1985/86
BARNET	1782	4130	Enfield (26/12/86)	+ 153 %
SCARBOROUGH	1516	5640	Weymouth (2/5/87)	+ 129 %
TELFORD UNITED	1487	2373	Barnet (21/3/87)	+ 34 %
ALTRINCHAM	1466	2453	Cheltenham (18/10/86)	+ 43 %
BOSTON UNITED	1237	1524	Frickley (26/12/86)	- 1 %
KIDDERMINSTER	1091	1750	Cheltenham (1/1/87)	+ 44 %
CHELTENHAM TOWN	1039	1739	Kidderminster (26/12/86)	+ 1 %
MAIDSTONE UTD	1017	1915	Enfield (8/10/86)	+ 46 %
STAFFORD RANG	1008	1451	Kidderminster (9/9/86)	- 1 %
KETTERING TOWN	939	1137	Scarborough (28/2/87)	- 12 %
WEYMOUTH	892	1700	Sutton (27/4/87)	+ 9 %
ENFIELD	818	2002	Barnet (1/1/87)	+ 5 %
NORTHWICH VIC	773	1328	Altrincham (1/10/86)	+ 12 %
WELLING UNITED	704	1177	Maidstone (20/4/87)	+ 21 %
NUNEATON BORO	690	1068	Telford (26/12/86)	- 7 %
SUTTON UNITED	657	1430	Scarborough (25/4/87)	+ 44 %
WEALDSTONE	631	1420	Barnet (20/4/87)	- 10 %
RUNCORN	623	964	Northwich (1/1/87)	+ 10 %
DAGENHAM	554	1013	Enfield (22/9/86)	+ 2 %
BATH CITY	501	707	Cheltenham (30/9/86)	- 12 %
FRICKLEY ATH	422	506	Barnet (22/2/87)	- 17 %
GATESHEAD	326	500	Wealdstone (4/10/86)	+ 8 %



'Points in the bag' proved to be the decisive factor as FISHER ATHLETIC took their first ever Southern League Championship. AYLESBURY UNITED finally ran out of steam as gruelling schedule of four league games and one cup game in the final six days of the season provided just five points and let the way in for BROMSGROVE ROVERS to steal the runners-up spot on goal difference.

A crowd of 2,040, Aylesbury's biggest ever in the Southern League, witnessed a Monday evening clash with Fisher that ended level at 0-0. The following night a 1000+ attendance saw Aylesbury take the lead against Bromsgrove but even though Rovers played 80 minutes with an outfield player in goal they returned to the Midlands with three points from a 3-2 victory. It was left to Fisher to take the title by winning 1-0 at Gosport Borough on the final day of the season. Fisher now have the task of improving their ground to GMVC standard before they can be accepted for promotion along with Wycombe and Macclesfield.

In the Midland Division, Anthony Riley celebrated his second Championship of the season when his new club, V S RUGBY took the Midland Division title and so earned promotion to the Premier Division.

After many seasons without sponsorship, The Southern League have announced a deal with Beazer Homes that will sponsor the league for the next three seasons. The deal is worth more than £100,000 with the league being re-named the BEAZER HOME LEAGUE throughout the Premier, Southern and Midland divisions. The League also announced that it's membership will increase to 66 clubs from next season.

SOUTHERN LEAGUE PREMIER DIVISION
Final Table 1986/87

	PL	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
1 FISHER ATHLETIC	42	25	11	6	72	29	86
2 BROMSGROVE ROVERS	42	24	11	7	82	41	83
3 AYLESBURY UNITED	42	24	11	7	72	40	83
4 DARTFORD	42	19	12	11	76	43	69
5 CHELMSFORD CITY	42	17	13	12	48	45	64
6 CAMBRIDGE CITY	42	14	20	8	68	52	62
7 REDDITCH UNITED	42	16	14	12	59	53	62
8 ALVECHURCH	42	18	8	16	66	62	62
9 CORBY TOWN	42	14	17	11	65	51	59
10 WORCESTER CITY	42	16	11	15	62	55	59
11 SHEPSHED CHARTERHOUSE	42	16	10	16	70	59	58
12 BEDWORTH UNITED	42	15	12	15	55	51	57
13 CRAWLEY TOWN	42	14	11	17	59	60	53
14 FAREHAM TOWN	42	11	17	14	58	49	50
15 WILLENHALL TOWN	42	13	11	18	48	57	50
16 BASINGSTOKE TOWN	42	12	12	18	53	78	48
17 WITNEY TOWN	42	12	12	18	29	56	48
18 GOSPORT BOROUGH	42	11	13	18	42	57	46
19 SALISBURY	42	12	7	23	52	82	43
20 KING'S LYNN	42	9	13	20	48	72	40
21 DUDLEY TOWN	42	9	9	24	39	76	36
22 FOLKESTONE	42	8	11	23	36	79	35

THE MULTIPART LEAGUE

Congratulations to MACCLESFIELD TOWN who landed the treble of League Champions, League Challenge Cup winners and League President's Cup winners. This is the first time that this feat has been achieved by any club.

The Moss Rose Club started the final week of the season with the League Challenge Cup safely under their belts and then added the President's Cup when a last minute extra-time goal from John Askey saw them pip Marine by 2-1 just as it appeared that the Merseyside club would win away goals. The next night saw BANGOR CITY win their last match of the season at South Liverpool and return to the top of the table, where they had been for most of the season, leaving Macclesfield two points behind and away game at Hyde United still to play. With the treble in their sights, the Silkmen visited Ewen Fields artificial playing surface to win 3-1 in front of over 1,800 spectators to land the Championship and crown a wonderful season for Peter Wragg and his players. Wragg was nominated Vladivar Manager of the Month for the second consecutive month after a run of results that now stands at 22 games undefeated, including 18 wins.

GATESHEAD and FRICKLEY ATHLETIC will both join the Northern Premier League from where BURTON ALBION have opted to join the Southern League. Burton last played in the Southern League in season 1976/77 having first joined in season 1958/59 - they play their last game as a NPL side in the F A Trophy Final at Wembley against Kidderminster Harriers.

FINAL LEAGUE TABLE UP TO AND INCLUDING SATURDAY, 2ND MAY 1987. FINAL.

<u>POS.</u>	<u>CLUB.</u>	<u>P</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>D</u>	<u>L</u>	<u>F</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>P</u>
1	Macclesfield Town	42	26	10	6	80	47	88
2	Bangor City	42	25	12	5	74	35	87
3	Caernarfon Town	42	20	16	6	67	40	76
4	Marine	42	21	10	11	70	43	73
5	South Liverpool	42	21	10	11	58	40	73
6	Morecambe	42	20	12	10	66	49	72
7	Matlock Town	42	20	10	12	81	67	70
8	Southport	42	19	11	12	67	49	68
9	Chorley	42	16	12	14	58	59	60
10	Mossley	42	15	12	15	57	52	57
11	Hyde United	42	15	10	17	81	70	55
12	Burton Albion	42	16	6	20	56	68	54
13	Buxton	42	13	14	15	71	68	53
14	Witton Albion	42	15	8	19	68	79	53
15	Barrow	42	15	7	20	42	57	52
16	Goole Town	42	13	12	17	58	62	51
17	Oswestry Town	42	14	8	20	55	83	50
18	Rhyl	42	10	15	17	56	74	45
19	Worksop Town	42	9	13	20	56	74	40
20	Gainsborough Trinity	42	9	10	23	53	77	37
21	Workington	42	5	14	23	38	70	28 *
22	Horwich	42	3	12	27	36	85	20 *

* Denotes one point deducted for breach of rule.



Premier Division Results

Saturday 4 April 1987

B Stortford	4	Wokingham	1
Croydon	4	St Albans	0
Hayes	1	Worthing	1
Hitchin	4	Carshalton	1
Wycombe	2	Barking	1
Yeovil	2	Slough	0

Wednesday 8 April 1987

Yeovil	2	Kingstonian	0
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Saturday 11 April 1987

Dulwich	2	Croydon	0
Farnborough	2	Walthamstow	0
Hitchin	0	Kingstonian	5
St Albans	2	Bognor	0
Slough	1	Barking	1
Tooting	0	B Stortford	1
Windsor	0	Bromley	0
Wokingham	1	Worthing	2
Wycombe	4	Carshalton	0

Monday 13 April 1987

Bognor	1	Wycombe	2
Dulwich	3	Hitchin	1
Walthamstow	1	Barking	1

Tuesday 14 April 1987

Bromley	3	Farnborough	2
Wokingham	1	Kingstonian	3

Thursday 16 April 1987

Harrow	3	Hendon	0
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Saturday 18 April 1987

B Stortford	0	Kingstonian	0
Bognor	2	Hayes	0
Bromley	2	St Albans	2
Carshalton	2	Yeovil	3
Croydon	0	Windsor	1
Dulwich	1	Harrow	0
Hendon	0	Wokingham	0
Hitchin	1	Wycombe	2
Tooting	1	Barking	1
Walthamstow	3	Farnborough	0
Worthing	1	Slough	1

Monday 20 April 1987

B Stortford	4	Tooting	1
Windsor	1	Bognor	0

Tuesday 21 April 1987

Hendon	0	Dulwich	1
Kingstonian	3	Walthamstow	0
St Albans	0	Croydon	0
Slough	3	Farnborough	1
Tooting	0	Bromley	1
Wokingham	2	Hitchin	0
Worthing	3	Carshalton	4

Thursday 23 April 1987

Barking	1	Croydon	1
Bognor	2	St Albans	0
Hendon	0	Windsor	0

Saturday 25 April 1987

Barking	3	Worthing	2
B Stortford	2	Bromley	2
Farnborough	0	Slough	1
Harrow	0	Bognor	1
Hendon	3	Croydon	1
Kingstonian	1	Hitchin	1
Tooting	0	St Albans	1
Wokingham	1	Windsor	1
Yeovil	2	Walthamstow	1

Monday 27 April 1987

Bognor	1	Wokingham	3
Bromley	2	Croydon	0

Tuesday 28 April 1987

B Stortford	1	Yeovil	0
Hayes	1	Hitchin	0
St Albans	2	Worthing	1

Wednesday 29 April 1987

Bognor	1	Harrow	3
Bromley	1	Windsor	1

Saturday 2 May 1987

Croydon	1	B Stortford	0
Dulwich	1	Wycombe	4
Hayes	1	Walthamstow	0
Hendon	1	Farnborough	2
Hitchin	4	Bognor	2
Worthing	1	Tooting	3
Yeovil	4	Bromley	1

FOUR NATION SEMI-PROFESSIONAL TOURNAMENT 1987 SCHEDULE OF MATCHES

Monday, 18th May — kick-off 7.30 p.m.

ENGLAND v. ITALY at Dunfermline Athletic F.C.

SCOTLAND v. HOLLAND at Raith Rovers F.C.

Wednesday, 20th May — kick-off 7.30 p.m.

ENGLAND v. HOLLAND at Raith Rovers F.C.

SCOTLAND v. ITALY at Dunfermline Athletic F.C.

Friday, 22nd May — kick-off 7.00 p.m.

ITALY v. HOLLAND at Raith Rovers F.C.

SCOTLAND v. ENGLAND at Dunfermline Athletic F.C.