

THE PARKWAY REVIEW



MATCHDAY PROGRAMME

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26TH DECEMBER 2017 11:00 AM KICK OFF VS TAVISTOCK

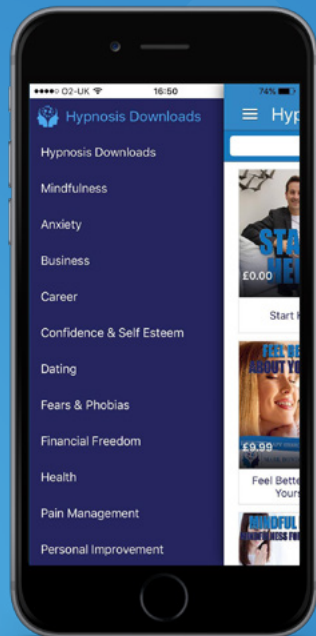
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THE GAFFERS NOTES

Good Morning everyone and welcome to Bolitho Park for the traditional Boxing Day fixture. This season we welcome the players, staff and supporters of reigning league champions Tavistock AFC. Today's game would have been the second meeting of the clubs within 2 weeks but unfortunately the planned Devon St Luke's Bowl meeting was a victim of the recent bad weather. A new date has yet to be arranged however we now know that the winners will travel to Cullompton Rangers in the semi-final. Despite losing some influential players from their title winning side, Tavistock are, not surprisingly, again up with the league front runners as they strive to retain the league title. They have recently suffered their only league defeat of the season having won all of their previous games with the exception of drawing two.

Last season's games were both hard fought affairs with little to choose between the sides. With both sides fully aware of each other's strengths and weaknesses, I expect today's encounter to be no different. Today's early kick off means our pre-match preparations have had to be adjusted slightly but rest assured the players will be well prepared and ready to go. Enjoy the game and may the best team win.

Our recent game against Launceston saw us grind out a hard fought 1-0 victory in difficult conditions and I was pleased with our overall performance despite having a slightly depleted squad on the day. Had we taken our chances then the victory could have been more comfortable however, despite being under pressure for a while in the second half, I felt we defended well and showed good game management to see the game out.

Unfortunately the pitch on Saturday took a hammering and I feel I must comment on the reason that today's game goes ahead at all. Immediately after the game, our outstanding groundsman Gaz Turner identified that some serious remedial work was urgently required and asked for volunteers to assist him carry out this work the following day. I am delighted to say a good number of people (you know who you are) turned up on Sunday in unpleasant weather to help and gave up their day to assist Gaz. Don't forget all these people were volunteers, and



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did it for the love of the game and more importantly, the club. Without such committed people you would not be here today and there would be no game! We thank them all for their hard work, enthusiasm and dedication to the cause. A fantastic effort by all concerned.

Having now played exactly half our league fixtures, to be 10 points clear at the top of the table and still in 2 cup competitions is an excellent return by the whole squad. With a run of tough fixtures coming up, we will need to maintain our momentum, stay injury free and build on what we have achieved so far. There's still a long way to go and we have won nothing yet!

Due to printing deadlines over the Christmas period, these notes had to be written prior to our visit to Helston last Saturday therefore my thoughts on that game will appear in a future programme. Hopefully we will have returned with 3 points.

Don't forget that after today's game the Football Club's Christmas Bonanza Draw will take place in the clubhouse starting at 2 o'clock. Come and join us to see if you have been lucky!

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MATCH REPORT

PLYMOUTH PARKWAY VS LAUNCESTON

Plymouth Parkway 1 (Smith 25)
Launceston 0

With some other games being called off locally, credit to the hard working groundsman Garry Topsy Turner for his efforts in ensuring the game went ahead. Prior to kick off, a minutes silence was impeccably observed as a mark of respect to a stalwart of Cornish football and a very successful manager of a number of teams in the SWPL over the years, Trevor Mewton, who passed away recently. Due to unavailability and suspension, Parkway had a slightly reduced squad resulting in a call up for a couple of youngsters from the reserves who were on the bench but were unused.

The match started at a good tempo with neither side in the ascendancy early on as both sides probed an opening. The first chance fell to Parkway on 10 mins with Luke Durham seeing his shot well saved followed by Glyn Hobbs having an effort on target but lacking power. The game developed into a midfield battle with Parkway having the majority of possession but with Launceston competing strongly, defending well and occasionally looking dangerous on the break. The Parkway midfield trio of Mikey Williams, Christian Pople and Ryan Lane gradually gained some control with their strong running and ball winning providing a sound base. A neat move down the left on 25 mins saw Parkway take the lead. Williams was influential in the move and his final ball saw Mike Smith race clear of the last defender and calmly lift the ball over the keeper into the top corner. Jordan Trott then saw his free kick well saved and on 30 mins Smith nudged an effort just off target having once again been put in by Williams.

Launceston continued to work very hard, competing strongly in midfield and looking dangerous down the flanks but were unable to create any meaningful chances with the Parkway defence generally coping well. Parkway then had further efforts from Smith, Hobbs and Durham which were either off target or comfortably saved. On 42 mins Launceston had a glorious chance to equalise. Their player latched on to a long ball, drove into the box only to be denied

by a superbly timed last ditch tackle by Rob Farkins around 10 yards out. The half finished with Hobbs seeing his great strike from around 30 yards pushed round the post by the keeper and from the resultant corner a header just cleared the bar. Launceston started the second half the sharper with the Parkway defence being put under considerable pressure. Launceston introduced a couple of subs on 55 mins as they continued to stretch Parkway forcing Kyle Moore into a couple of decent saves. Parkway were having difficulty in retaining possession in midfield as Launceston continued to press and close down and looking the more likely to score.

Around the hour mark a shot from Launceston narrowly cleared the bar and a couple of corners resulted in scrambles in the 6 yard box as Parkway rode their luck. Parkway gradually managed to gain a bit of control with Lane, Pople, Williams and Durham working tirelessly to break up play and provide support to Hobbs and Smith. Durham blazed over a long range effort when well placed on 71 mins followed by an effort from Smith which flew just over. Launceston continued to threaten with Parkway having to defend in numbers as the game entered it's final stages, Connor Macauley replaced Lane on 80 mins with Parkway continuing to push forward attempting to slow the game down and see it out. On 84 mins Launceston had strong claims for a penalty turned down with the referee appearing to award a free kick to Parkway. Hard for this correspondent to see the incident from his position through the gloom from the other end of the ground!

Parkway eventually saw the game out to claim a very valuable 3 points from a very difficult game against a committed, determined and well organised Launceston side who probably think they deserved at least a draw, particularly on their second half performance. Not a pretty game but hard fought and evenly contested in testing conditions and played in a good spirit.

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The club was formed on 8 September 1888, when sportsman and businessman Herbert Spencer summoned “interested persons to assemble at the Guildhall” where a committee would be elected under the chairmanship of his brother, Wilfred, with Herbert as his deputy and another brother, Kingsley, on the committee. They played their first games at the old Tavistock Grammar School playing fields, playing in the Devon League. In their second season of 1889 – 1890 they became the first winners of the Devon Senior Cup. In 1900–01 season the club then claimed their first Devon League title.

After the first world war the club achieved success in the Devon league, Senior Cup and Bedford Cup, during the 1920s however the club had to cease playing football at the end of the 1931–32 season due to debt. The club started playing again in 1937 and in 1939 amalgamated with three other local teams, Tavistock Comrades, Bannawell Blues United and Tavistock West End. With this amalgamation the club changed the colours of their strips from salmon pink shirts with chocolate collars and cuffs, to the present day red and black stripes.

After World War II the club joined the Plymouth Combination League First Division. In 1947 the Club President Herbert Thomas Langsford purchased their current home of Langsford Park and then two years later giving it under trust to the club. With a new ground the club entered the FA cup for the first time in the 1948–49 season.

They joined the South Western League for its second season in 1952. Apart from an eight-season sojourn spent back in local football, they had remained members of the South Western League until 2007 when they became founding members of the South West Peninsula League Premier Division.[6] On only one occasion had they challenged for the South Western League title, on the 50th anniversary of their original entry into the league when, in 2002–03 they took the runner-up spot.

In recent times, Tavistock have entered the FA Vase in the 2004–05 season and made a mark in only their second season of entry, when in 2005–06 they reached the fourth round (last 32) before going out in North Yorkshire at Pickering Town. They were a founding member of the South West Peninsula League Premier Division in 2007, and were relegated after a 19th-place finish for the first time to Division One East after eight seasons. At the end of the 2014–15 season Tavistock clinched the Division One East title to return to the Premier Division after one season, beating Sidmouth Town at home 3-0. After finishing 3rd in their first season back in the top flight, they won the league 2016-17.

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Diff	Pts
PLYMOUTH PARKWAY	19	18	0	1	81	11	70	54
PLYMOUTH ARGYLE	21	14	2	5	60	26	34	44
SALTASH UNITED	20	13	3	4	66	34	32	42
TAVISTOCK	16	13	2	1	73	11	62	41
FALMOUTH TOWN*	19	11	3	4	43	31	12	39
LAUNCESTON	20	9	4	7	45	31	14	31
HELSTON ATHLETIC	21	9	3	9	43	47	-4	30
ST AUSTELL	17	9	1	7	44	37	7	28
NEWQUAY	22	9	1	12	43	38	5	28
EXMOUTH TOWN	24	8	4	12	32	53	-21	28
BODMIN TOWN	13	8	3	2	25	15	10	27
STOKE GABRIEL	21	8	2	11	32	56	-24	26
GODOLPHIN ATLANTIC	18	7	1	10	34	46	-12	22
IVYBRIDGE TOWN	19	6	3	10	32	46	-14	21
TORPOINT ATHLETIC	19	5	3	11	32	36	-4	18
CULLOMPTON RANGERS	18	5	3	10	24	49	-25	18
STICKER	18	4	4	10	21	43	-22	16
CAMELFORD	18	4	3	11	22	54	-32	15
CALLINGTON TOWN	18	2	5	11	21	49	-28	11
WITHERIDGE*	19	1	2	15	15	75	-60	2

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Aug 12	Away	Launceston	3:00 pm	0 - 2	Nick Milton
Aug 15	Away	Cullompton Rangers	7:30 pm	0 - 6	Luke Durham
Aug 19	Away	Saltash United	3:00 pm	2 - 4	Ethan Phillips
Aug 22	Home	Stoke Gabriel	7:30 pm	4 - 0	Ben Joyce
Aug 25	Home	Newquay AFC	7:30 pm	5 - 1	Mikey Williams
Aug 29	Away	Witheridge	7:30 pm	0 - 4	Connor McAuley
Sept 1	Home	Torpoint Athletic	7:30 pm	5 - 1	Nick Milton
Sept 6	Away	Exmouth Town	7:45 pm	0 - 8	Ben Davies
Sept 16	Home	St Austell	3:00 pm	5 - 1	Jordan Trott
Sept 27	Away	Witheridge	7:30 pm	4 - 7	Glyn Hobbs
Sept 30	Home	Cullompton Rangers	3:00 pm	6 - 0	Ryan Lane
Oct 6	Away	Plymouth Argyle	7:30 pm	1 - 3	Kyle Moore
Oct 11	Home	Ivybridge Town	7:30 pm	4 - 1	Connor McAuley
Oct 14	Home	Galmpton & Roselands	3:30 pm	3 - 1	Ben Joyce
Oct 17	Away	Callington Town	7:30 pm	1 - 7	Glyn Hobbs
Oct 21	Home	Sandhurst Town FC	3:00 pm	6 - 1	Garry Turner
Oct 28	Home	Helston Athletic AFC	3:00 pm	2 - 0	Luke Durham
Oct 31	Home	Witheridge	7:30 pm	6 - 1	Ben Joyce
Nov 3	Away	Camelford AFC	7:45 pm	1 - 0	Nick Milton
Nov 11	Home	Bodmin Town	3:00 pm	4 - 2	Mikey Williams
Nov 18	Away	Sticker	3:00 pm	0 - 5	Christian Pople
Nov 21	Away	Cullompton Rangers	7:00 pm	0 - 5	Ryan Lane
Nov 25	Home	Callington Town	3:00 pm	4 - 1	Ryan Lane
Dec 2	Home	Westfields	3:00 pm	2 - 3	Rob Farkin
Dec 16	Home	Launceston	3:00 pm	1 - 0	Rob Farkin
Dec 23	Away	Helston Athletic AFC	3:00 pm		
Dec 26	Home	Tavistock AFC	11:00 am		
Dec 30	Home	Bodmin Town	3:00 pm		
Jan 6	Away	Stoke Gabriel	2:15 pm		
Jan 10	Home	Tavistock AFC	7:30 pm		
Jan 13	Home	Saltash United	3:00 pm		
Jan 16	Away	Newquay AFC	7:45 pm		
Jan 26	Away	Torpoint Athletic	7:30 pm		
Feb 3	Away	St Austell	3:00 pm		
Feb 10	Home	Falmouth Town	3:00 pm		
Feb 17	Away	Ivybridge Town	3:00 pm		
Feb 24	Home	Camelford AFC	3:00 pm		
Mar 3	Home	Exmouth Town	3:00 pm		
Mar 10	Home	Sticker	3:00 pm		
Mar 24	Away	Godolphin Atlantic	3:00 pm		
Mar 30	Away	Tavistock AFC	11:00 am		
April 4	Home	Plymouth Argyle	7:30 pm		
April 7	Away	Falmouth Town	7:30 pm		
April 11	Away	Bodmin Town	7:30 pm		
April 21	Home	Godolphin Atlantic	3:00 pm		



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