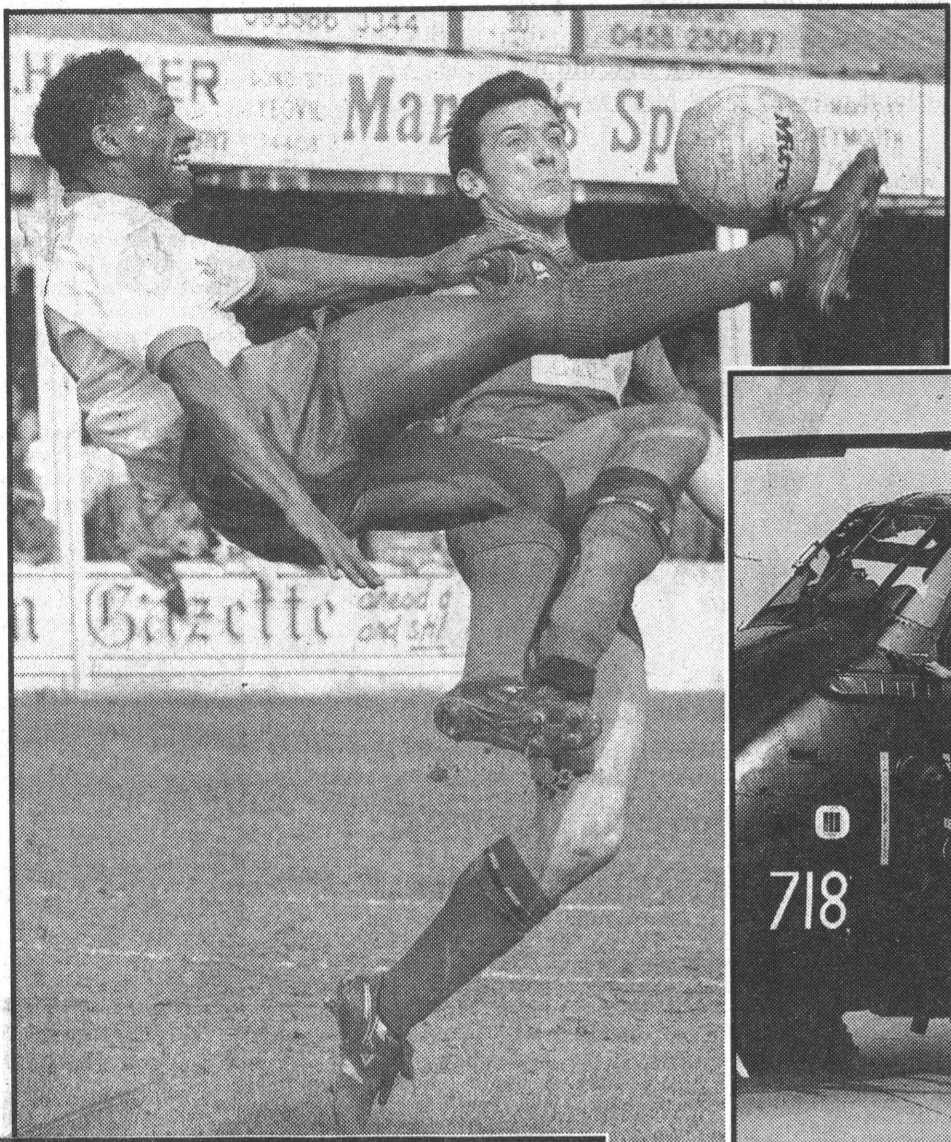
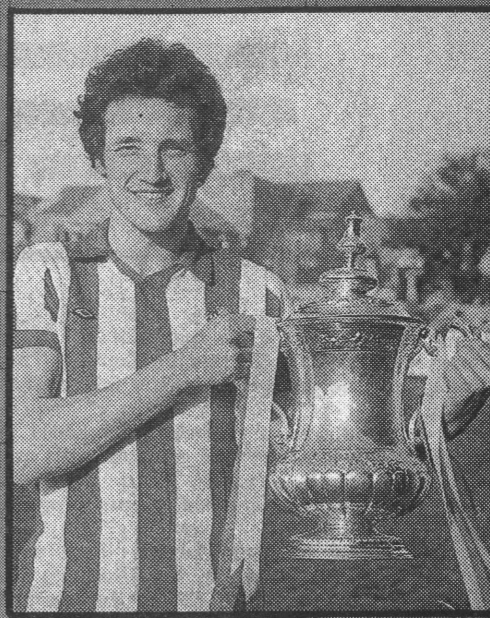
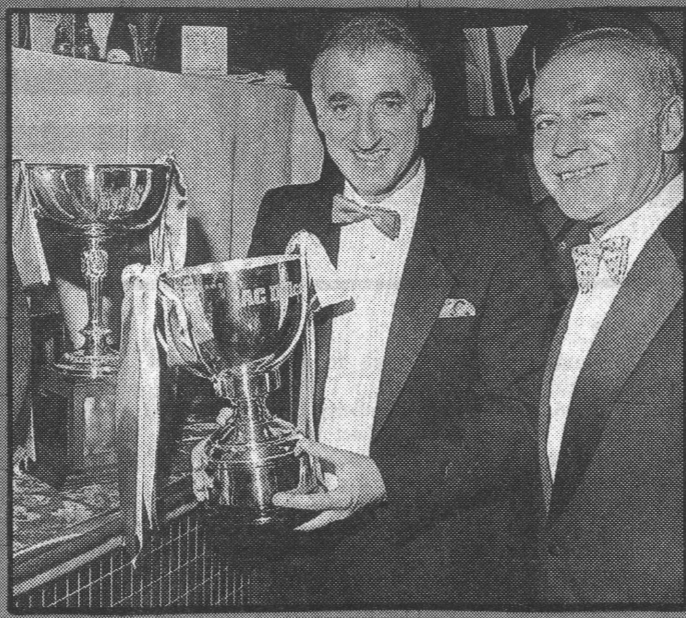


OF FAME



Four trophies in a season

YEOVIL'S most successful season at Huish was in 1955 when they collected four trophies — the championships of the Southern and Western Leagues with the Southern League and Somerset Professional knock-out cups.

The last league match against Hastings was crucial. Yeovil needed one point and managed a 2-2 draw which gave them the title by 0.310 of a goal over Weymouth.

Town manager Ike Clarke wrongly predicted that the following season would be even more successful.

Here is Yeovil's 1954-55 season record.

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Southern L.....	42	23	9	10	105	66	55
South L Cup....	9	5	3	1	19	11	—
Som Prof Cup	4	3	1	0	9	5	—
Western L.....	34	23	6	5	115	49	51



● ABOVE — A Huish landmark for years until it became a safety hazard and was pulled down in the early Seventies. It was poshly called the EYE Stand in later years. Most folk called it the pigeon loft.

● LEFT — Cecil Irwin was manager when Yeovil called in the PR men to help them gain a Football League place in the 1970s. The campaigns produced newsy pictures like this one, and some glossy brochures. But it failed.

● BELOW — FA Cup action from 1971 when a crowd of 14,500 saw Arsenal beat Yeovil 3-0 on their way to a league and cup double. Bob Wilson, now a TV presenter, is making the save from Brian Grey.



The big names at Huish

● FROM LEFT — One man who was never on a losing side at Huish. Jimmy Graves played here twice during his career and told TV's millions that his teams (Chelmsford and Barnet) had won one and drawn the other.

● Peter Shilton, the England goalkeeper, at the testimonial match for Tony Clark, John Clancy and Stuart Housley.

● THE last international to play for Yeovil — England's Kevin Reeves. He had a short spell on the slope five years ago in Gerry Gow's time at the helm.

● Alec Stock — the man who launched a million stories.

● Bobby Moore, England's 1966 World Cup skipper, signs for the autograph hunters — another testimonial visitor.

● Ron Saunders, who managed Yeovil in the mid-1960s, went on to build the Aston Villa team that won the First Division title and European Cup. He returned to the club dinner three years ago and took a look at the silverware won by his successor Brian Hall.

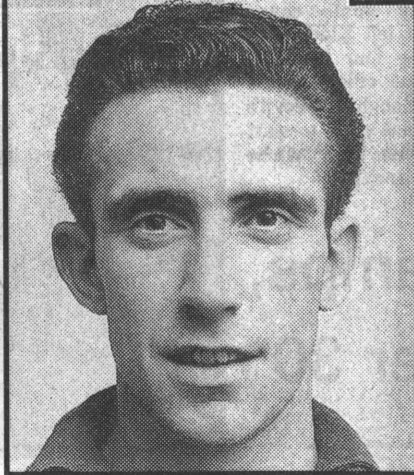
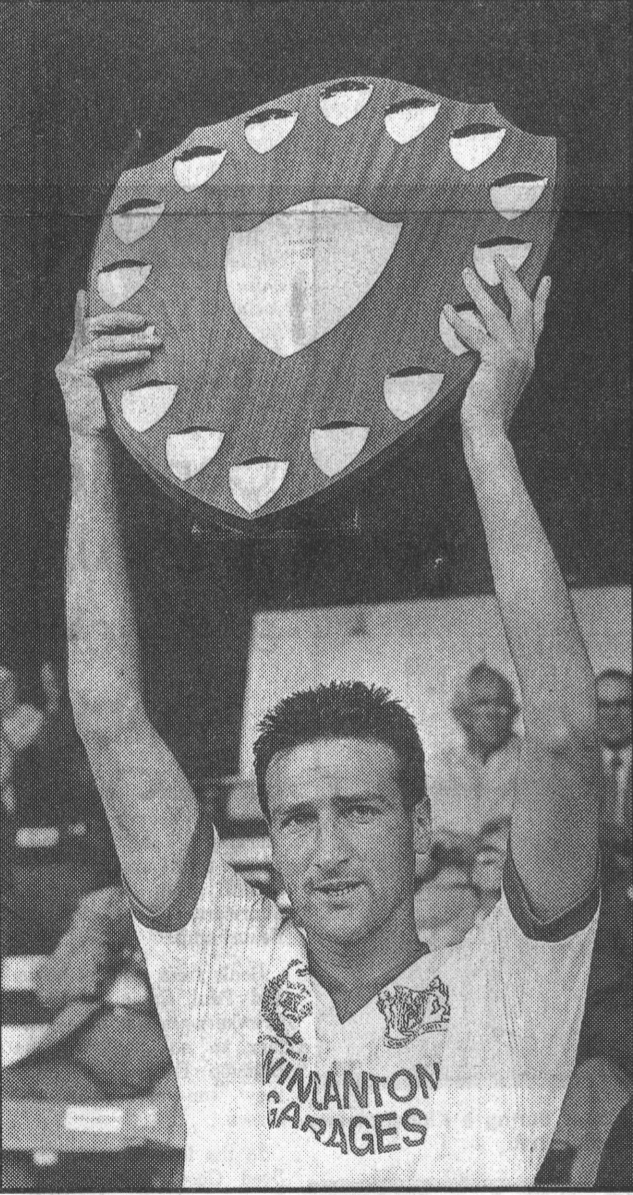
● Paul Gilchrist played for Yeovil, then went on to Southampton and helped them win the FA Cup in 1976. The team came to Huish for a friendly, and that's Paul showing off the cup.

● The mighty ITB returned to his hometown to have a few games under Gerry Gow five years ago. The terrace verdict: he's a good cricketer!

● ABOVE left — 1990 and one of the last men to make headlines at Huish. Airborne Micky Spencer gave up his Army career to become a full-time professional.

● LEFT — Champions, 1988. Skipper Tony Ricketts, now with Bath City, holds aloft Yeovil's last championship trophy after they had won the Vauxhall-Opel League.

● BELOW — Dave Taylor, the most prolific scorer in Yeovil's history. He came as a 19-year-old from Portsmouth in 1959, hit 99 in his first two seasons and finished with 249.



There's gold in that thar turf!

SPEND a fiver on a piece of Huish turf, and you could strike gold! Telford player John Bentley lost a golden tooth on the pitch some years ago, and although the whole team went back after the match to look for it, there were no reports of it being found.

