

YEOVIL TOWN WIN 4-0 IN JERSEY

Yeovil Town F.C. playing the opening game of their Channel Islands tour in Jersey, beat the full Island side at Springfield by 4-0.

THE Cup giant-killers treated the 6,000 crowd to a grand exhibition, at times toying with their amateur opponents who rarely got a sight of the Yeovil goal.

Only a superb display by Le Riche in the Jersey goal, plus some fine defensive work by Reg Jones, the Island centre-half, who kept a tight hold on Bryant, stopped the Somerset team from running up an avalanche of goals.

Masterly tackling by the Yeovil defenders, particularly centre-half Blizzard and right-back Hickman, broke up isolated attacks by the home forwards. Dyke, in goal, had an easy match.

His best save, in fact, was made from a hard back-pass from a Yeovil defender. This caused Dyke to throw himself full-length to avert a score.

Early Pressure

Yeovil took up the attack from the opening whistle, Bryant going close with two headers which the Jersey goalkeeper saved brilliantly, and soon afterwards he dealt capably with shots from Wright and Stock.

Hamilton, Yeovil's right-winger, was too clever for the Jersey defence and Bryant missed narrowly from one of his centres.

When Jersey raided on the right, Davis cleared well and then Blizzard stopped Le Maistre as the Island centre-forward was breaking through.

Yeovil might have gone in front in the 30th minute, but Wright headed high over with the Jersey keeper out of goal. A minute later Wright was put through, but his shot went wide.

The Jersey goal had a remarkable escape in the 35th minute. Hamilton, receiving from Stock, put over a perfect centre the ball being deflected just over the bar by an Island defender.

But Yeovil would not be denied, and after a shot from Wright had hit the post a triangular move between Bryant, Stock, and Coffey, ended with the latter scoring with a shot from close in.

Bryant nearly added another a minute later, Le Riche saving at full-length.

The teams crossed over with Yeovil one-up.

Wright's Goal

Yeovil immediately attacked when play was resumed, the Jersey goalkeeper making spectacular saves from Bryant and Wright.

After seven minutes Hamilton put over an accurate centre which was neatly converted by Wright, whose shot gave the Jersey goalkeeper no chance.

Occasional Jersey raids were stopped by Yeovil's cast-iron defence. At the other end a Jersey back cleared a shot from off the goal-line and, a moment later, Bryant's first-time effort went only inches wide.

Clever Yeovil inter-passing got the Jersey defence in a tangle, but the pressure was relieved for a minute and from a centre by White on the Jersey right, Dyke came out of goal, to punch clear. Drew's head got there first and the ball was trickling into the net when Davis ran back and kicked it off the goal-line—a lucky let-off for Yeovil.

Keeton, Yeovil's right-half, injured his ankle in a tackle and left the field for 10 minutes. Jersey were now more dangerous, Dyke saving well from Le Maistre and Pamplin. Drew then broke through on the left, but was stopped by Hickman. Keeton returned, going on the left wing.

Further Ahead

After 31 minutes in this half Yeovil went further ahead.

Hamilton received from Bryant, and the winger, cutting in, beat the Jersey goalkeeper with a hard drive from fully 25 yards.

Then came Dyke's spectacular save from Blizzard's back-pass—a thrill for the Jersey crowd. But play was soon back round the Jersey goal area and Coffey, from the inside-

left position, scored number four with a strong right foot shot just inside the post.

Stock was plying his colleagues with judicious passes, but the harassed Jersey defence managed to hold out without further loss. Just on the final whistle Jersey should have had a consolation goal, Drew shooting tamely wide after Dyke had been drawn out of goal.

Island Tour

On Sunday afternoon the Yeovil team and officials were taken on a drive round the Island, visiting many of Jersey's famous beauty spots.

Afterwards they were entertained to a lobster tea by officials of the Jersey Saturday League.

The Yeovil party leave for Guernsey, 30 miles away, on Wednesday and will play the Guernsey Island side on Thursday afternoon.

FOULDS, MANSLEY IMPROVE YEOVIL

Weymouth's Mixed Fortune; Chard Return To Senior Grade, Win 5-0

By F.D.V.

NEARLY 8,000 people saw Yeovil score a runaway win 8-0 over Kidderminster in the Southern League, and the margin might easily have been more, for centre-half Blizzard hit the crossbar with a penalty kick and many shots were kicked off the goal line by a very worried defence.

Yet this game was interesting and goalkeeper Crowther could not be blamed for the visitors' heavy defeat.

Bryant's Haul

Tommy Galley and McIntosh, both ex-Wolves Cup-fighters, put in some good touches, but the whole side was overcome by the speed of the home attack and a rock-like defence which never allowed the forwards to get within shooting range.

Inclusion of Foulds in the Yeovil attack and Mansley in the half line, made for improved play, and the Yeovil side showed capital understanding.

Eric Bryant, who led the line with distinction scored five goals; outside-left Coffey—always too good for Hinclin—got two, and Ray Wright, who has lost none of last season's cunning, headed the other.

Foulds showed himself to be a fine ball player who added thrust to the attack. Mansley was as firm as a rock at half-back.

The rest of the boys all played well. Team spirit is there again and on Saturday's form Yeovil should certainly take some beating at home.

Yeovil will make no change in their side which visits Weymouth on Wednesday evening (kick-off 6.30). Team: Dyke; Hickman, Hamilton, Foulds, Bryant, Wright, Coffey.

Hat-trick for Wright

YEOVIL'S EASY WIN OVER GUERNSEY

INSIDE-LEFT Wright made Yeovil's second match of their Channel Islands tour—against Guernsey yesterday—his own day out by completing a hat-trick in 15 minutes, and, altogether, got four out of the five goals netted by Yeovil in the first half-hour.

Yeovil took this match as seriously as any of their great cup encounters and played fast first-time football right from the start. Wright and Bryant were conspicuous with their thrust and initiative in attack, while Blizzard and Hickman stood out in a polished defence.

Yeovil monopolised the opening exchanges and got their first goal in five minutes when Wright shot home first time across from Hamilton.

Bryant made it two with a close-range ground drive, and then Wright began to chalk up his tally, which gave Yeovil an interval lead of 5-0.

Yeovil were inclined to rest on their superiority in the second-half, and with the Guernsey team showing great improvement, goal-keeper Dykes, of Yeovil, found himself surprisingly busy. Consistent pressure by the Island team ended in Collins, an Arsenal trialist scoring from 20 yards.

Yeovil hit back and got their sixth and final goal through Wright, who headed in a centre from Blizzard, switched to the wing following an injury.

Guernsey opinion was unanimous that the Somerset side is the best football team to visit them this year. Previous tourists included several P.A. sides, Southampton Reserves, and the amateur teams, Dulwich Hamlet and Leytonstone.

Yeovil Had to Struggle Hard

Kicking off with the wind at their backs in their Southern League match against Guildford City at Joseph-rd., Guildford, Yeovil Town included Roy in place of Stock at inside-right.

Yeovil pressed from the kick-off and Roy forced a corner in the first minute. Guildford fought back, and centre-forward Jackson forced Dyke over the line for a corner two minutes later.

The visitors were more lively, and Geard, the home goalie, made good saves from Bryant and Keeton. At the other end of the field Dyke saw frequent action, and took several long shots from the Guildford half-back line with confidence.

Both sides indulged in a great amount of wild kicking at this stage, and there was an absence of intelligent passing. After 27 minutes Yeovil went close to opening the scoring when Coffey headed in a low ball from Bryant's pass.

Geard was forced to go down to save on the line, fighting back Guildford went just as close when Kelly blazed in a shot which made Dyke leap across his goal. A few minutes later Roy tested Geard with a shot which the keeper just managed to tip over the bar. With eight minutes of the half to go, Jackson, the City leader, broke away on his own but shot straight at Dyke. From the resultant corner Penn shot wide with the Yeovil keeper out of position.

After 40 minutes Yeovil right-half KEETON gave his team the lead with a long shot, just under the bar, which slipped through Geard's hand. Half-time: Guildford City 0, Yeovil Town 1.

Yeovil pressed hard in the early stages of final half and Wright went close. Geard managed to beat down his close range shot. The forward lines on both sides were late in showing better understanding than was seen at the start. The standard of play improved generally.

Yeovil, 2 Down, Force Champions to a Draw

Trowbridge Make Sure of Second Place in Western

WHEN Yeovil Reserves shared four goals with the champions, Glastonbury, at Huish on Saturday, this Western League game had the flavour of a local derby with everything at stake. Every few minutes saw thrilling episodes and both teams played an unusually fast and attractive brand of football.

Although Yeovil were two goals down through centre-forward Starr, 15 minutes from the end Wright scored from a penalty. This had a tonic-like effect and after several brisk attacks Yeovil got their equaliser through Hayward, who cleverly hooked the ball over the head of goalkeeper Bradford after full-back Fitz had miskicked.

Yeovil were strengthened by two first team players—inside-left Wright and wing-half Collins. But a lot of good work by some members of the team was often spoiled by one or two weak links.

Dyke, still with stitches in his face, played a sound game except for one fatal slip. Starr, harassed by Affleck, flicked the ball towards him, but instead of gathering it he tried to stop it with his foot and missed. He must have been a very mortified young man when he saw the ball gently trickle over the line for a goal.