

# Forinton's supershow brings the championship closer to Yeovil Town

## Roberts knew Enfield would crack in race for promotion

**M**ANAGER Graham Roberts, the book-makers and the business people of Yeovil are all confident that Town are heading back to the GM Conference.

The bookies made Yeovil 1/3 on favourites even before big rivals Enfield drew 0-0 at Heybridge Swifts on Tuesday night.

And Roberts, who went into yesterday's game needing 11 points out of 15 for promotion, says: 'I expected Enfield to crack. Our lads aren't in the mood to throw it away now. It may not even go to the wire.'

### Extra

'I'm already looking towards next season and I'm hoping I shall be able to leave my No.2 Terry Cotton in charge for one match so that I can head up to the Northern Premier League to have a look at a striker I am interested in.'

Roberts knows he will need new players as he has to replace Birmingham-bound Jerry Gill and Howard Forinton. He also knows two of his present squad, so far unnamed, are not ready to undertake the extra travelling on the Conference scene.

But he accepts that, saying that he understand why players must put their families first.

## Roberts in the market for six new recruits

**Y**EOVIL Town's final ICIS League match against bottom club Chertsey on Saturday will be an all-ticket affair.

Police and club directors want to avoid any repetition of last month's clash with Enfield when 8,007 crammed into Huish Park and 2,000 were shut out, including a number of irate season ticket holders.

Chairman John Fry said: 'We don't know what the position will be on the day.'

'If we need points to clinch the title I am sure there will be a big crowd. If the championship has already been won, there will be plenty wanting to join in the celebrations.'

### Student

No one is mentioning the other possibility of Enfield coming from behind to sneak it on the last day.

Manager Graham Roberts is already making plans for Conference football and has reassured fans worried about the imminent departure of Howard Forinton that he has another goalscorer in the pipeline.

Forinton went into yesterday's match with 21 goals in 20 games since joining Yeovil from Oxford City, and Roberts predicts that the 21-year-old student will be in Birmingham City's first team within 12

months. He says: 'When we lost Guiliiano Grazioli last season people were saying I couldn't find another goal-getter.'

'But along came Howard, and who is to say we can't find another Forinton?'

### Survival

'I think I may already be on the trail of the right man.'

Roberts says he has six players on his summer shopping list and believes they would all jump at the chance of Conference football with Yeovil.

'We know Howard and Jerry Gill are going to Birmingham, a couple don't want the travelling involved in the Conference and will be leaving, and one or two others will have to be off-loaded because I don't think they'll be good enough for the Conference.'

'I shall be building a squad of 19, and I'm looking for a lot more than Conference survival.'

'If we aren't in the top half I shall be very disappointed. Realistically, I am looking for a place in the top six.'

### Fight

Roberts has put one youngster at ease by telling 20-year-old midfielder Kevin Braybrooke, who hasn't featured on recent team sheets, that he wants him to stay and fight for a first team place.

'He is good and strong, but in recent games I have had to go for experience,' Roberts explained.