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PRESS HIGHLIGHTS

All the news from Roundwood ahead of the weekend's trip to Home Park.



Leam Richardson

On team news...

"We have a couple of bumps and bruises from Tuesday evening's game which are being assessed before the trip down to Plymouth, so we're going to know more about them in the next 24 hours.

"The long-term injuries are things that I'm having meetings on and getting updated with. I can't sit here and give timescales on individual players without knowing the true extent of the information or their personalities.

"The lads are working really hard to make themselves available, they are very aware of the situation that we're in and we need all hands on deck so to speak but there will be an update I'm sure in the coming weeks."



Leam Richardson

On meeting the players...

"I've spoken to them about the foundations that we're going to try and build from, the expectations I have of them and what they will have of themselves to build and go forward.

"I've been in the building a matter of hours and I'm still getting to know people around the training ground and the stadium, obviously everyone else is going through that process too.

"They are a good group, with a good mix of players. We have some good, experienced heads in the dressing room and some bright young lads who are eager to learn.

"It'll be a case of watch this space and see how we grow together throughout the year."

Leam Richardson

On the challenge ahead...

"Everything that went before came prior to me arriving in the building, all I can control is today and what comes after that. It's important to maintain what we're doing well, as well as building on other aspects going forward.

"We have a good work ethic and we need to maintain that, as well as our endeavor. Everybody knows that we've been blighted a little bit by injuries, we couldn't fill the bench on Tuesday for example.

"We all know that the Championship is an unforgiving league, so to be without players would have an impact on anyone, so it is a challenge.

"We'll have players coming back in the next week or two and January is upon us, so it may be more of a challenge in the short term that it is going into the new year.

"I've got a vision of how a football club looks, I've been at many so I know that you need to have a vision and philosophy that you want to implement.

"You need to control the controllables. What have we got available? What are they best attributes that we've got and how can we use them?"

"In the medium-term, can we evolve it in certain areas? And then in the long-term be the best version of ourselves and represent what we want to do. It's not going to happen overnight, though, it'll be a process."



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Home is where the heart is

All six of Argyle's victories in the second tier this term have come at Home Park.

Leam Richardson

Upcoming away challenges against Plymouth and Leicester...

“That’s the challenge of the Championship. We worked hard to get here and we’re not kidding ourselves about where we are in the challenge.

“We’ve got a certain objective and we’ll concentrate on the likes of Plymouth and Leicester when we play them, but after that, we move on to the next game. Our challenge is to stay in the Championship.”

“Plymouth are an excellent team and have recruited extremely well. They’ve got young, energetic and athletic players and it’s a great place to play.

“That’s probably why their home form has been as good as it has. I expect a good challenge, it’s one that I think we can meet, so fingers crossed we can go down there and give a good account of ourselves and get a positive result.

“I can’t comment on this season’s away form, this is prior to me coming in, I can only control the here and now.

You’ll only have my opinion on what goes on from now, I can’t comment on what has been and gone in the past.

“I don’t think it would be correct for me to comment on what has happened in the past.

Everyone will have their own subjective or objective opinion but what I can control is from now and I’ll certainly have an opinion on that going forward.”



Cohen Bramall

On West Brom and playing on the wing...

“It was disappointing to not get anything out of the game, but we need to dust ourselves down and go again, our only focus is the Plymouth game now, because we can’t control what’s gone.

“There have been a few injuries in camp throughout the season and I’ve found myself playing a number of positions.

“I’m always happy to play wherever I’m asked to really. I’m just happy to be out there giving my best, wherever on the field that is.

“Playing on the left wing gives me more license to attack, especially when a team press us high up the pitch, it’s good for me because there’s a lot of space in behind to get up the pitch.”

“Seb [Revan] has found himself in a similar situation to me, in terms of he’s been utilised on the left wing as well.

It’s good having him alongside me because we both understand the position, now it’s about building a partnership and making that side a strong one for the team.”



Cohen Bramall

On meeting the new manager...

“It has been really positive, it was a good first proper session and the lads have taken in all the information really well.

“I think you always naturally want to impress when things are a little bit fresh, but I think everyone is always giving 110% anyway, because we know we have to stay well to stay in the side with the competition that there is here.”

Cohen Bramall

On building momentum over the festive period...

“We want to build some momentum. I’m aware of the situation that we’re in and so are the rest of the lads but we can’t focus on what’s gone, we just need to try and impact the now.

“We can only control what we can control and that needs to be our focus. We need to be positive and take it one game at a time and if we can do that, the results will come I’m sure.”