

Veteran Larry — a manager's dream

LARRY Pritchard, one of the most respected players in non-league football, aims to mark his testimonial season by helping Sutton United to lift a major domestic title.

Veteran Larry, now 37, won three Isthmian League championships for Wycombe Wanderers in the early 1970s, but has never achieved the same amount of success for Sutton, the club he first joined in 1965 and for whom he has played more than 600 games.

The only championship Sutton have ever won while Pritchard has been there was the highly prestigious Anglo-Italian Cup — the first English side ever to do so.

To mark his testimonial Sutton have published a

special Larry Pritchard brochure. This neatly produced publication includes career statistics, pictures, a profile on his family (he has a wife and two children) and tributes from some of his managers.

Delightful

Brian Lee, Pritchard's boss at Wycombe between 1971 and 1974 pays him the highest tribute. "He is a manager's dream and certainly the most complete all-round player in my experience.

"A balanced player on the field and a balanced personality off the field with a delightful wife and family, Larry has been an enormous credit to the Isthmian League. I only hope when he

finally retires, he can be persuaded still to contribute to the game in some way."

Pritchard has played more than 1,000 games of senior football in 20 years — 248 of them for Wycombe, for whom he also scored 73 goals — including a F.A. Cup score against Peterborough in the 1973/74 campaign.

The total does not include 48 England Amateur international caps between 1966-74 and only the abolition of the amateur status prevented him getting many more.

The Larry Pritchard Testimonial Brochure (50 pence) can be purchased at the Wycombe and Sutton grounds or from Bruce Elliott, 79 Sunnymede Avenue, West Ewell, Epsom, Surrey.



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