

# Tigers resume love affair with Trophy

ON the field and off, it's getting better for Hyde. Fans are supplying money-raising ideas, and Macca's men are responding with some great football.

Okay, it's not yet the Hyde of old, but it's getting close. The way they battled, spoke volumes; and they stormed into a sixth-minute lead with their first real attack.

Paul Varden's snap shot was palmed round the post by Paul Bastock and, from Dave Nolan's corner, Colin Lambert rose unchallenged to head home.

Throughout the game, the Pilgrims pressured the home defence, but brilliant work by George Switzer and Billy Garton kept big, bustling Boston at bay.

Minutes after the goal, they went close when a Joby Gowshall shot almost squirmed out of Jon Scargill's grasp, but Hyde's attack was the more dangerous. Probing runs by Ged Kimmins and Lutel James always looked dangerous.

Bastock brilliantly dealt with two Nolan thun-

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**Hyde United.....2**  
**Boston United.....1**

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derbolts, but the keeper was lucky to escape without so much as a caution when he ran out to clear and made contact with James.

The referee waved play on, much to the fury of home fans and officials.

Hyde increased their lead on 29 minutes, when James broke down the left. He sent in a low cross, Bastock missed as he tried to intercept, and Kimmins tucked home the ball.

The Tigers should have made it 3-0, early in the second half; but, after outstripping defenders in a run down the middle, James fired badly wide only the keeper to beat.

Then, Val Owen overran the ball with an open goal looming.

Boston pulled themselves together and, suddenly, Hyde were on the rack, and it came as no surprise when Steve Charles pulled one back after 55 minutes.

Switzer raced in, with Scargill beaten, and seemed to make a goal-line clearance; but Mr McGhee gave a goal.

James should have made things safe for Hyde but, again, blasted wide after being put through by Kimmins. Then Kimmins missed a sitter, just yards from the line.

Boston kept pounding away, but suffered a blow with six minutes left, when Martin Hardy was sent off for a second bookable offence.

Hyde: Scargill 7, Gallagher 7, Switzer 9, Wilson 7, Garton 8, Lambert 7, Kimmins 8, Owen 7, James 8, Varden 7, Nolan 8. Subs: Carty for Varden (90), Lockett, Annan.

Boston: Bastock, Gowshall, Withe, Fee, Hardy, Charles, Stanhope, Appleby, Filson, Cavell, Curtis. Subs: Mason, Marshall for Curtis (40), Watts for Stanhope (83).

Ref: Anthony McGee (Knowsley).