



Dickie Guy

Today's special guest will need little introduction to those of a Wimbledon persuasion, with Dickie Guy having gone from being our goalkeeper to Club President in what has been a memorable career in football.

Set to turn 76 in January, Dickie's goalkeeping feats are still rightly revered by everyone connected with Wimbledon. The anniversary of one of our greatest FA Cup shocks – the 1-0 win at then top-flight Burnley in 1975, whilst the Dons were in the Southern League – is fast approaching as we look

back and celebrate that historical chapter again.

It was an 'up and at em' mindset that took the mighty Leeds United – who reached the European Cup Final later that season – to a replay, with Dickie saving a penalty at Elland Road to earn him legendary status at Wimbledon – and back page headlines.

Speaking about saving that spot-kick from Peter Lorimer, our Club President said: "It's incredible that after all these years people still talk about it!

"I know Peter had the hardest shot in football, but it was probably the worst penalty he ever took! I am glad that I saved it and the FA Cup that season for us was a fairytale story. Back in the day we didn't fear anybody. We were non-league players and we relished the opportunity to show what we could do against professional sides.

"I used to do a bit of practice on saving penalties in training, but it was hard to recreate what you would face in a big match like we had against Leeds. I assumed

that Peter Lorimer was going to whack it, but you couldn't move then as a keeper before a penalty, it was stricter. You could move your arms, but you couldn't move your feet until after the ball was kicked. I just decided to go as far

as I could to the right, he scuffed it, and I just had to get my hand under my body to knock it away. It was an incredible story for a non-league club to draw in the FA Cup against a team riding high in the top-flight."

Since then Dickie has regularly attended Wimbledon matches, home and away, ever since, and continues to be a great ambassador for the Club.

We look forward to welcoming him today as our special guest!