



Forest winger John Robertson (centre) makes a single-handed attack on the Charlton goal as he dribbles his way through the defence.

## OLD, LEVER ROCK INDIA

CHRIS OLD and John Lever exposed India's weakness against pace, by bowling England into a commanding position in the third Test in Madras, today.

At the close of the second day, India were 58 for three in reply to, England's first innings total of 262.

Although this was an improvement on being 17 for three after 11 overs, they were still in a position of the utmost peril.

If the Chappell pitch takes its normal course it will soon start to show signs of deterioration and England must fancy their chance of going 3-0 up in the five-match series.

At the moment, there is a surprising amount of pace in it and India were soon in trouble when they began their first innings in mid-afternoon.

With Dilip Vengsarkar suffering from back trouble, Mohinder Amarnath was promoted to open with Sunil Gavaskar but survived only until the final ball of Chris Old's first over.

### Sorry run

A full length ball found its way under Amarnath's attempted drive and knocked out the off stump. It was the continuation of a sorry run by Amarnath against the touring team, out four times in five innings without scoring.

The breakthrough encouraged Old and Bob Willis to put every ounce of energy into their bowling and Gavaskar and Gundappa Viswanath became engaged in a desperate struggle for survival.

But the luck did not run for Willis and it was his replacement, John Lever, who parted the second wicket pair with the first ball of his second over. Viswanath, fencing needlessly outside his off stump, touched a catch to wicketkeeper Alan Knott.

In the same over, although the tea interval intervened, Lever broke through again, yorking Ashok Mankad and, at 17 for three, India were in a crisis.

In the final hour and a half, Gavaskar and Brijesh Patel went some way to repairing the damage with an unbroken stand of 41, but

England remained in a position of great strength.

### Dashed hopes

England had been all out an hour after lunch, their last five wickets adding 91 runs from 48.5 overs today.

India's captain, Bishan Bedi, dashed England's hopes of a substantial total when he picked up the key wickets of Knott and Old in the space of 13 balls just before lunch.

He had Knott caught by Viswanath, who ran to his left from first slip to take the ball as it looped over the wicketkeeper. Knott was unhappy about the decision, believing the ball had come off his arm.

Old was then picked up at short leg by Amarnath as he made a firm deflection. Lever also fell to Bedi after making 23 in 158 minutes and Derek Underwood and Bob Willis perished in a late scramble for runs.

### Scorecard

ENGLAND (1st Innings)	
D L Amiss lbw b Madan Lal	4
R A Woolmer c Gavaskar	0
b Madan Lal	22
J M Brearley c and b Prasanna	50
D W Randall run out	50
A W Greig c Viswanath b Bedi	54
A P E Knott c Viswanath b Bedi	45
J K Lever c Kirmani b Bedi	23
C W Old c Amarnath b Bedi	2
R W Tothard not out	8
D L Underwood b Prasanna	23
R G D Willis run out	7
Extras 13	Total—262
Fall of wickets: 1-14, 2-29, 3-31, 4-12, 5-162, 6-201, 7-209, 8-228, 9-253	
Bowling: Madan Lal 21-5-43-2, Amarnath 14-3-26-0, Chandrasekhar 25-4-63-0, Bedi 38-5-16-72-4, Prasanna 27-11-45-2	

INDIA (1st Innings)	
S M Gavaskar not out	13
M Amarnath b Old	0
G R Viswanath c Knott b Lever	9
R V Mankad b Lever	0
B P Patel not out	27
Extras 9	Total (3 wickets)—58
Fall of wickets: 1-5, 2-17, 3-17	
Bowling: Willis 8-4-9-0, Old 6-4-2-1, Lever 8-1-4-0, Underwood 3-2-4-0	

CLOSE

## Pakistan race into lead

PAKISTAN reached a handy 70-run lead with five wickets in hand by the close of play on the second day of the third and final Test against Australia at Sydney.

Australia resumed this morning at 198 for nine and tailenders Dennis Lillee and Max Walker stayed long enough to build the score to 211. Pakistan in reply are 281 for five with Asif Iqbal on 93 and Javed Miandad on 36.

Lillee and Walker held up the Pakistan attack for half an hour this morning and added a record 52 for the last wicket. The previous best Australian tenth wicket stand against Pakistan was 50 made by Alan Davidson and Ray Lindwall in Karachi in 1959.

### Good start

Pakistan went for runs from the start of their innings, registering 30 in the first 20 minutes as the Australian pace attack was unable to obtain the expected life from the pitch.

Zaheer Abbas (5) and Mushtaq Mohammad (9) were the only batsmen not to get a good start, but the others seemed untroubled in their chase for runs.

Opener Sadiq Mohammad made 25 and his partner Majid Khan 48 before new young Test cap Haroon Rashid played a splendid innings of 57. When Haroon fell Pakistan were six runs short of the Australian total and Asif and Javed forced the pace to put Pakistan in a solid position.

Asif, a century maker in the first Test at Adelaide, survived a sharp caught and bowled chance from spinner Kerry O'Keefe in the last over of the day, but that was his only blemish in 93 attractive runs.

AUSTRALIA (1st Innings)	
Majid Khan c Marsh b Walker	48
Sadiq Mohammad c Cosier b Walker	25
Zaheer Abbas c Turner b Lillee	5
Mushtaq Mohammad c Turner	9
Haroon Rashid c Marsh b Gilmore	57
Asif Iqbal not out	93
Javed Miandad not out	36
Extras 9	Total—(5 wickets) 281
Fall of wickets: 1-42, 2-51, 3-77, 4-111, 5-205	
Bowling: Lillee 17-8-86-2, G. Gilmore 12-1-66-1, M. Walker 12-3-82-2, D. Walters 4-1-7-0, K. O'Keefe 11-2-32-4	

Close of play

# Nelson full of praise for beaten Forest

JOHN LAWSON at The Valley

CHARLTON chief Andy Nelson saw his side collect their sixth point in four games from Nottingham Forest at The Valley and then owned up to being one of the Reds' top admirers.

Charlton took three points from Forest last season and after snatching a 1-1 draw at the City Ground earlier in the season, edge to a 2-1 win last night.

It brought the Reds' 14-match unbeaten run to an end and hauled Charlton back into the promotion race as an outside bet.

But Nelson admitted: "I had to thank my defence for getting us the points. There have been times when I have criticised them in the past, but they won us the game on this occasion."

"They had to because Forest were coming at us like no other side has done here this season."

### BEST

"They are a very good team indeed and have got to be one of the best in the division. They are a side who always command a lot of respect and you have to make special plans for them."

Nelson did not elaborate but clearly he instructed his side to rob Forest of as much room as possible and deny them time in which to settle.

Forest were not at their best by any means, but did enough to deserve some reward from their trip to London.

They dominated the first 20 minutes and then conceded a goal from a set-piece after Frank Clark had fouled Colin Powell wide on the right.

Keith Peacock cleverly chipped the kick to the near post, Jim Giles headed the ball across goal and Mike Flanagan, who has assumed Derek Hales' goalscoring role, headed home his tenth goal of the season.

### CROSS

Bad judgment by Forest keeper John Middleton gave Charlton their second in the 34th minute.

Former Plymouth winger Hugh McAuley sent a cross curling into the box and as Middleton tried to turn it over the top he only succeeded in helping it into the net.

Two minutes later leading scorer Ian Bowyer gave Forest fresh hope when he took a throw from John Robertson and fired a dipping drive past Jeff Wood with his less lethal right foot.

Shortly afterwards Bowyer smacked a close range effort against the bar after Larry Lloyd had nodded down a Tony Woodcock corner. That was the nearest Forest came to an equaliser.

### DISALLOWED

Robertson, aiming to increase his own goal output, had the ball in the net but had the effort disallowed for an infringement by another Forest player and Wood saved well from a point blank header by Peter Withe.

But despite having more possession in the second half, Forest could not crack open a Charlton defence in which Jim Giles and Les Berry were outstanding.

Charlton's victory means Forest are still waiting for their first ever League win at The Valley after seven trips to South East London.

Charlton — Wood, Berry, Warman, Tydesman, Giles, Curtis, Powell, Hurman, Flanagan, Peacock, McAuley, Sub: Hunt.

Forest — Middleton, Anderson, Clark, McGovern, Lloyd, Bowyer, Chapman, O'Neill, Withe, Woodcock, Robertson, Sub: Barrett.

Referee: M J Taylor, Kent. Attendance: 7,992.

## Barrett rescues Forest A

SEAN HASLEGRAVE missed an early penalty, but Forest still came back from a three-goal deficit to salvage a draw with a late burst against Shrewsbury at Lenton today.

Forest A — Woods; Collins, Wheatley, Gunn, Smith, Barrett, Bissell, Murphy, Elliott, Hunt, Haslegrave, Sub: Burke.

Shrewsbury — Trencle; Collier, Roberts, Westray, Hickbottom, Hayes, Steele, Moore, Cross, Lawrence, Hewson, Sub: Jones.

WESTRAY carved his way through to put Shrewsbury in front after only eight minutes, but Forest should have been level through a 15th minute penalty, when Collier fisted the ball over the bar.

Haslegrave was successful with his first attempt from the spot, but when the referee ordered it to be retaken the Forest man hit his second shot against the bar.

Shrewsbury offered most of the danger and Woods had to pull off a diving save from Roberts.

After 21 minutes the visitors stretched their lead when the Forest defence failed to clear a Hewson corner and the unmarked ROBERTS tucked in a simple goal.

The problems piled up for Forest and after 25 minutes COLLIER scored from a penalty after Lawrence had been fouled in the penalty area.

Forest looked a well beaten side, but the outlook improved five minutes before the interval when HUNT pulled one back from close range after a useful run by Bissell.

### HALF-TIME:

FOREST A	1
SHREWSBURY A	3

Despite mounting more dangerous raids in the second half, the home team found it difficult to break down an efficient Shrewsbury defence and it was not until the final ten minutes they found a way through.

It was all due to a flourish from BARRETT. After 79 minutes he cracked in a 25-yard goal direct from a free-kick and within 60 seconds he got the third goal.

BARRETT started a move deep in his own half and he was there at the end to finish it off with a fine angled drive from 12 yards.

RESULT:  
FOREST A..... 3  
SHREWSBURY A..... 3