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BARTRAM'S 500th LEAGUE GAME.

Sam Bratram takes on the captain's job for the day when Charlton Athletic (at home) meet Portsmouth. This is a great moment for Sam - its the 500th League Game he's played for the boys of the Valley. That's just twenty years service guarding their goal but, despite his forty years, he's still as nimble and as safe as ever. More than 37,000 fans have come along to cheer his every move.

Sam has turned out exactly 701 times for Charlton, including friendly matches, war-time matches and Cup Ties. A legend in his own lifetime, Sam is one of the most popular men in the game today. Following Charlton's two-one victory over Pompey, its time for celebration, and a big iced cake is the teams' way of saying "thanks" to Sam Bartram.

Champagne glasses are raised to the veteran goalie as Charlton manager Jimmy Seed gives a toast. Football followers everywhere send congratulations to Sam Bratram - a very loyal and modest player, and a great sportsman.

