### SUPPORTERS — UGH!

WHILE in the West Stand at the Burnley game I heard so-called "Chelsea supporters" saying before half-time: "Chelsea have had it today", and "No prizes this season".

Hardly fair as it was only the first defeat. I wish "Doc" could transfer some of these

killjoys with their wet enthusiasm.

Me, I'm off back to the Fulham Road end where the real support comes from.

H. E. Broder.

16, Milmans House, Chelsea, S.W.10

## WHY NOT BECOME A REFEREE?

IF you are not a player or for any reason are thinking of ending your playing days and would like to take an active part in the game as a referee, please write to Mr. M. J. Bentman, 11, Gloucester Road, Ealing, London, W.5 for details of a Referees' Training Course.

M. J. Bentman.

# DISTANCE NO OBJECT

THE reason for our poor home record last season and this, in contrast to the wonderful away record, has been attributed by some people in this programme and elsewhere to the fact that the crowd is situated a long way from the playing area.

I suggest there is no truth in this contention for in season 1964/5 at Stamford Bridge our League record was:— won 15, drawn 2 and lost 4. So the distance of the crowd from the pitch did not affect the results that season. Why then should it do so this season and last?

Consider also the case of West Ham who have failed to win a home League game

### PRE-MATCH SPIN

As last season, Peter Owen and David Scott will be presenting record music for your entertainment here on matchdays. The records played can be obtained at "Musicland", 256a North End Road, S.W.6.

#### Your Letters

All letters set to "In off the Post" are considered for publication, providing they include name and address of sender. We regret that, owing to the large number received, queries cannot be answered personally, but only in these columns.

this season and, like Chelsea, have done much better away. I think there is no more intimate ground than West Ham's — the crowd could not be closer to the players.

C. W. Lawson.

2, Wengeo Lane, Ware, Herts.

## AWAY MATCH PROGRAMMES

CHELSEA'S young supporters, and perhaps many older ones, are obviously interested in collecting programmes. Many would like to travel to the away games but cannot afford to do so.

I would therefore suggest that the club might consider a proposal that they should buy a number of programmes, say 2,000 in the first instance, for every away game for sale at cost price, plus a small additional charge, at the following home game.

### Paul Barattini.

14, Earls Crescent, Wealdstone, Harrow, Middlesex.

• Away match programmes can usually be obtained by writing to the club concerned, enclosing remittance to cover cost of programme and postage.

## PEN-PAL WANTED

I WOULD like you to print this letter in your programme to help my request for a pen-pal who supports Chelsea. I am a Liverpool fan, and am fifteen years old. If anybody wishes to reply, would they please write to . . .

John Waddington.

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