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TT No.127: *Keith Aslan* - Tuesday 24th April 2018; **LUDGVAN** v Penzance; South West Peninsula League Division 1 West; Kick-Off: 18.30; Result: 3-0; Admission & Programme: £2; Attendance: 78 (62 home, 18 away & 8 neutral)

Even living in the far east most places are doable in a day, but some South West Peninsula grounds take a bit longer so when the two 'ticks' I need are at home on consecutive nights that's my cue to do a mini-hop. Finding a b&b in Penzance that was all of 1 minute from the station it's a short door to door bus ride to Ludgvan. The buses in Cornwall are excellent but if you are the other person who pays bus fares it would probably be cheaper to hire a chauffeur-driven limousine. £7.60p for 8 miles, you're having a laugh. There is an hourly service from outside the ground back to Penzance with the last bus leaving, astoundingly, at 00.23, but I wouldn't imagine you'd have much trouble finding a seat on that one.

The ground is impressive, covered standing along the side with a veranda at the top of a large bank behind the goal offering more welcome shelter from the incessant drizzle. Tea bar on the lower floor of the changing room complex with a club house upstairs showing Liverpool's European game (yawn). Ludgvan are still very much in the mix to win the league and their local neighbours were never going to stop them in this one. If they do come up tops they won't be promoted due to sharing with cricket, lack of floodlights etc. but I doubt they would want to go up anyway, their geographical location would mean an awful lot of travelling and midweek trips to places like Exmouth aren't as much fun as they sound. A fair selection of hoppers at this one who, like myself, were staying down for seconds the following night including two others whose acquaintance I renewed at Torridgeside.

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