



Monday, 24th September, 1956 K.O. 7.30 p.m. League, Div. 3 (South)

SWINDON TOWN



SEPTEMBER 29th

FOOTBALL COMBINATION

Kick Off 3.15

CHARLTON ATHLETIC

OCTOBER 1st

LONDON F.A. CHALLENGE CUP

Kick Off 7.30

WALTHAMSTOW AVENUE

OCTOBER 6th

FOOTBALL COMBINATION

Kick Off 3.15

BOURNEMOUTH

QUEEN'S PARK RANGERS FOOTBALL AND ATHLETIC CLUB, LIMITED

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Admission to Ground 2/- (All entrances). Boys (under 14) 1/-.
Covered Enclosure 2/6. (Loftus Road Entrance or transfer from Ground.)
(No transfer to Stands from Loftus Road Enclosure)
Centre Stand 'B'. 4/- Extra. Wing Stands and Stand Front 2/6d. extra.

COMMENTS . . .

By the EDITOR

THE GROUND TOUR

The Directors, our Manager and our Secretary were all greatly impressed by the keen interest shown by the supporters who came along to the recent tour of the ground and I think also that our supporters were equally impressed by the frankness of the answers given to their innumerable questions by the Directors and Club Officials. Just how many times the questions started off with the words "We have heard a rumour" I lost count, and quite frankly was amazed to know that so many were going around.

Constructive criticism there was in plenty and many suggestions, too. Altogether it served a very useful purpose and many of our supporters went home that evening with a much greater understanding of the intricacies behind the running of a professional football club.

OUR FLOODLIGHTS

Quite a lot of our supporters, and even some of our players, have ex-

pressed the view that the Floodlighting is not so good now as when it was first installed. Some suggested that dirty lamps or tarnished reflectors were the cause. These causes can be ruled out because only two or three weeks ago the whole system was thoroughly cleaned and serviced by the firm of electrical contractors who installed the lights. Whether this deterioration is "fact" or "fancy" we don't know, so the manufacturers of the equipment, the General Electric Company, have been asked to send their experts and make a thorough check on the lighting and give a report.

TRANSFER TO ENCLOSURE

For the convenience of our supporters who enter the ground at the Ellerslie Road turnstiles and prefer to go into the Loftus Road Enclosure transfer tickets will be issued, price 6d., at the gate dividing the Enclosure and the Stand passageway. This will save supporters the long walk all

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around the ground to the present transfer turnstile.

3 HOURS' FOOTBALL—2/-

Yes, three hours of non-stop Six-a-Side Football for the modest admission charge of 2/- (Boys 1/-). The Semi-finals and Finals of the Hammersmith Six-a-Side Competition take place at the White City Stadium tomorrow, Tuesday, evening, commencing at 7 p.m.

Also included in this programme is the Invitation Competition for a Trophy presented by the "West London Observer." Chelsea, Fulham, Brentford and Q.P.R. are competing.

White City Stadium have very kindly given the use of the Stadium without charge and the total net receipts will go to the Mayor of Hammersmith's Appeal Fund.

OUR VISITORS

This evening we extend a sincere welcome to the officials and players of Swindon Town Football Club and I feel sure that they will forgive me expressing the hope that last Wednesday evening's result will be reversed.

The match at Swindon could be described as being a little on the dull side during the opening half for throughout the 45 minutes neither side looked likely to score.

The second half had a lot more life in it but again the scoring chances were few for either side. Swindon took the lead after about fifteen minutes' play in the second half with a nicely taken header by their inside left, Edwards, and despite valliant efforts by our lads the Swindon defence managed to hold out to the end.

HAMMERSMITH SIX-A-SIDE FOOTBALL COMPETITIONS

PROGRAMME FOR FINALS NIGHT

WHITE CITY STADIUM, 25th SEPTEMBER, 1956

Junior Competition Semi-Finals

7.00 p.m.	RUGBY BOYS "A"	v.	BRENTFORD WEST "A"
7.18 p.m.	SULGRAVE BOYS "A"	v.	E.N.V. JUNIORS

Senior Competition Semi-Finals

7.36 p.m.	SOUTH VALE GLACIER	v.	STRACHAN'S SPORTS
7.54 p.m.	BRENTFORD WEST "A"	v.	LOBARIANS "A"

Invitation Competition Semi-Finals

8.12 p.m.	CHELSEA	v.	QUEEN'S PARK RANGERS
8.30 p.m.	FULHAM	v.	BRENTFORD

Junior Competition Final

9.00 p.m.		v.	
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Senior Competition Final

9.20 p.m.		v.	
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Invitation Competition Final

9.40 p.m.		v.	
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PRESENTATIONS

QUEEN'S PARK RANGERS

(Royal Blue and White)

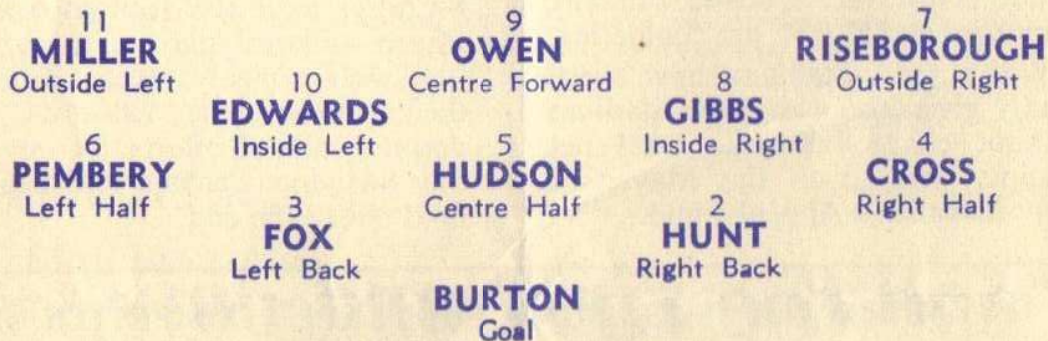
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Referee :
Mr. W. CLEMENTS
(West Bromwich)



Linesmen :
Mr. A. J. HAMMOND
(Red Flag)
Mr. E. W. HERRIDGE
(Yellow Flag)



SWINDON TOWN

(Red and White)

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A GOOD CUP OF TEA AND A TASTY SNACK

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A SERIOUS REQUEST

Our Club have received many complaints since the commencement of the season about the use of very foul language by spectators both on the terraces and in the Stand, and as a consequence this practice not only gets our Club a bad name but it keeps away would-be supporters. We do, then, make an earnest appeal to the guilty ones to curb their language. They would doubtless very much resent it if their own wives and children were subjected to this sort of thing, so why not think of other people who equally resent it?

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

On Monday, 1st October next Walthamstow Avenue visit Loftus Road in the first round of the London Challenge Cup, kick-off 7.30 p.m., and as our Club are the present holders we shall be all out to retain it. At the request of many supporters this Cup will be on display that evening.

On Monday, 8th October, Millwall are our visitors in the first round of the Southern Floodlight Cup Competition and we take this opportunity to point out that it is a rule of this Competition that Clubs must play their strongest available team.

FIXTURES 1956-57

LEAGUE DIVISION III (SOUTH)

1956			F	A
Aug. 18	Reading	Away	0	1
.. 20	Plymouth Argyle	Away	2	1
.. 25	NEWPORT COUNTY	HOME	1	1
.. 27	PLYMOUTH A.	HOME	3	0
Sept. 1	Colchester United	Away	1	1
.. 6	Northampton Town	Away	0	3
.. 8	NORWICH CITY	HOME	3	1
.. 10	NORTHAMPTON	HOME	1	0
.. 15	Coventry City	Away	1	5
.. 19	Swindon Town	Away	0	1
.. 22	SOUTHAMPTON	HOME		
.. 24	SWINDON TOWN	HOME		
.. 29	Exeter City	Away		
Oct. 6	Aldershot	Away		
.. 13	WATFORD	HOME		
.. 20	Shrewsbury Town	Away		
.. 27	WALSALL	HOME		
Nov. 3	Ipswich Town	Away		
.. 10	BOURNEMOUTH	HOME		
.. 17	(1)			
.. 24	MILLWALL	HOME		
Dec. 1	Brighton & H.A	Away		
.. 8	(2)			
.. 15	READING	HOME		
.. 22	Newport County	Away		
.. 25	Crystal Palace	Away		
.. 26	CRYSTAL PALACE	HOME		
.. 29	COLCHESTER U.	HOME		
1957				
Jan. 5	(3) SOUTHEND U.	HOME		
.. 12	Norwich City	Away		
.. 19	COVENTRY CITY	HOME		
.. 26	(4) Southend United	Away		
Feb. 2	Southampton	Away		
.. 9	EXETER CITY	HOME		
.. 16	(5)ALDERSHOT	HOME		
.. 23	Watford	Away		
Mar. 2	(6) SHREWSBURY	HOME		
.. 9	Gillingham	Away		
.. 16	IPSWICH TOWN	HOME		
.. 23	(S.F.) Bournemouth	Away		
.. 30	TORQUAY UNITED	HOME		
Apr. 6	Millwall	Away		
.. 13	BRIGHTON & H.A.	HOME		
.. 19	Brentford	Away		
.. 20	Walsall	Away		
.. 22	BRENTFORD	HOME		
.. 27	Torquay United	Away		
.. 29	GILLINGHAM	HOME		
May 4	(Final)			

FOOTBALL COMBINATION

1956			F	A
Aug. 18	LUTON TOWN	HOME	1	1
.. 20	CRYSTAL PALACE	HOME	3	1
.. 25	Southampton	Away	4	4
.. 29	Crystal Palace	Away	0	3
Sept. 1	SWANSEA TOWN	HOME	2	2
.. 8	Coventry City	Away	2	1
.. 15	NORWICH CITY	HOME	2	1
.. 22	Swindon Town	Away		
.. 29	CHARLTON ATH.	HOME		
Oct. 6	BOURNEMOUTH	HOME		
.. 13	Leyton Orient	Away		
.. 20	BRIGHTON & H.A.	HOME		
.. 27	Chelsea	Away		
Nov. 3	ALDERSHOT	HOME		
.. 10	Ipswich	Away		
.. 17	ARSENAL	HOME		
.. 24	Cardiff City	Away		
Dec. 1	WATFORD	HOME		
.. 8	Bristol Rovers	Away		
.. 15	Luton Town	Away		
.. 22	SOUTHAMPTON	HOME		
.. 25	BRISTOL CITY	HOME		
.. 26	Bristol City	Away		
.. 29	Swansea Town	Away		
1957				
Jan. 5	Southend United	Away		
.. 12	COVENTRY CITY	HOME		
.. 19	Norwich City	Away		
.. 26	SOUTHEND U.	HOME		
Feb. 2	SWINDON TOWN	HOME		
.. 9	Charlton Athletic	Away		
.. 16	Bournemouth & B.A.	Away		
.. 23	LEYTON ORIENT	HOME		
Mar. 2	Brighton & H.A.	Away		
.. 9	CHELSEA	HOME		
.. 16	Aldershot	Away		
.. 23	IPSWICH TOWN	HOME		
.. 30	Arsenal	Away		
Apr. 6	CARDIFF CITY	HOME		
.. 13	Watford	Away		
.. 19	NORTHAMPTON	HOME		
.. 20	BRISTOL ROVERS	HOME		
.. 22	Northampton Town	Away		
.. 27				
May 4				

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On Monday, 5th November, The All Star Managers' XI (plus, we hope, Stanley Matthews) will play once again under the Loftus Road lights, and the proceeds from this match will be placed towards the benefits of three of our players, Pat Woods, Mike Powell and Bobby Cameron.

PLAYERS' APPEARANCES AND GOALSCORERS

(League and Combination)

(Up to and including 15th September)

	League		Combination	
	Apps.	Gl.s.	Apps.	Gl.s.
Andrews	9	—	—	—
Angel	9	2	—	—
Cameron	1	—	—	—
Colgan	—	—	—	—
Dean	—	—	2	—
Hellawell	9	2	—	—
Ingham	9	—	—	—
Kerrins	—	—	6	—
P. Knibbs	—	—	5	1
Lay	—	—	6	—
L. Locke	6	1	2	1
Longbottom	8	2	1	1
Nelson	—	—	2	—
Peacock	—	—	7	4
Petchey, G.	9	—	—	—
Petchey, K.	—	—	6	—
Pounder	—	—	4	—
Powell	1	—	4	—
Quigley	9	5	—	—
Quinn	3	—	4	1
Rhodes	—	—	7	1
Rutter	8	—	1	—
Silver	—	—	7	—
Springett	9	—	—	—
Temby	—	—	6	1
Tomkys	—	—	7	3
Woods	9	—	—	—
Own Goal	1

NOTE TO SHAREHOLDERS

The Balance Sheet and Accounts for last season have been posted to shareholders at their last recorded address, and should any shareholder

not receive his copy of the balance sheet would be, or she, get in touch with the Club Secretary. May we point out that notice of any shareholder's change of address must be given to the Club Secretary in writing and forms authority to alter the Share Register.

Q.P.R. SUPPORTERS' CLUB NOTES

"BEATING ABOUT THE 'BUSH'"

IT'S OUT TO-DAY! This is the day you've been waiting for. The day when you'll be able to take home your copy of the "Rangers' Official Handbook"—and browse through the contents at your leisure!

Here you have all the "gen" about the team you support. Articles by the Q.P.R. Chairman, Manager, Secretary and officials of the Club. Photographs and pen pictures of all your old favourites—and of the new lads. Snappy features, action shots, interesting data, records and tables. In fact—the lot! In all, over 50 pages—and large ones at that. A souvenir edition. A mine of information. A pictorial record of the Club and its players. A Handbook you'll be proud to possess!

And the price is 1/3d. Make sure of your copy today!

COMING? We have a couple of good away trips in the offing. Next Saturday we make the long, but delightful, trip to Devon, there to see the lads in action at St. James's Park, Exeter. We shall be making an early start from Ellerslie Road (7.30 a.m.) and as this is one of our licensed trips, we shall be glad to welcome any supporters who would care to join us. The return fare is 21/3d., and if the weather holds — well, it should prove a very enjoyable outing.

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On Saturday, October 6th, we shall be making the much shorter journey to Aldershot, for our League match there. Again this is a licensed trip, and all are welcome. Fare 5/-, coaches leave the ground at 12.30 p.m.

OUR 5/- CARD SCHEME. Here are the lucky winners in our highly successful Card Scheme for last Saturday, each of whom receive £10 each. Miss E. M. Jackson, 52, Sandringham Crescent, South Harrow, Middx. Mr. E. V. Geary, "Wood View," Headley Heath Approach, Box Hill, Tadworth, Surrey. The winning numbers were: 13—19—20.

A GREAT SUCCESS. Our "Tour of the Ground" on the occasion of our "At Home" on September 13th last proved highly successful and nearly 400 supporters turned up to be escorted round the ground by the Manager, Director and officials of the Supporters' Club. The weather proved extremely kind to us, and over a cup of tea, all seemed agreed that their visit was well worth while. Our

thanks are due to the Parent Club for the facilities offered.

FOOTBALL FORUM. Did you remember to make a note of the date of our next big "do"—our Football Forum at the Hammersmith Town Hall?

Just in case you didn't, here it is again: **WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 10th** in the **ASSEMBLY HALL, Hammersmith Town Hall, King Street, W.6.**

A fine array of sporting personalities will be on the platform, including the following—Wallie Barnes, Alf Bond, Ian Black, Tony Ingham, Jack Husbands and famous sports writers.

We'll give you complete details in later programme "Notes," but meanwhile, keep this date open. Admission will be free!

THEATRE OUTINGS. Just another reminder for the Theatre enthusiasts. Friday, September 28th: "A LIKELY TALE" at the Globe. Tickets 8/6d. inc. Friday, October 26th: "SAILOR BEWARE" at the Strand Theatre. Tickets 9/6d. inc. Bookable at the S. Club Room.



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