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## **ELM PARK ATTRACTIONS**

## Tomorrow, Saturday, 3rd March

FOOTBALL COMBINATION

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## BRENTFORD

## Monday next, 5th March

TESTIMONIAL MATCH

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## From the Manager's Office . . .

Good Evening, Ladies and Gentlemen.

Last Friday evening, we were defeated by Halifax Town by two goals to one. This was a most unfortunate result for us for we deserved at least one point.

In the first half, we had a fairly strong wind in our favour and played the better football. However, mid-way through this half, the home side took the lead with a goal from Large, their left half back. Immediately we hit back and a magnificent effort from Mick Travers looked all over a goal, but a back-breaking save by the keeper, saw him just tip the ball over the bar.

At the interval, we were somewhat unfortunate to be a goal down.

In the first fifteen minutes of the second half, we saw the home side in command of the game and a save by David Meeson prevented them from scoring a second goal.

Playing against the wind, we gradually assumed command of the game and a great goal from Mick Travers from a pass by Bill Lacey, put us on equal terms.

We then continued to have more of the exchanges and looked a much better side than did the home team. Twice their goal nearly fell. On the second occasion, the right back almost put through his own goal in his attempt to clear, the ball just trickling wide of the post for a corner kick.

About one minute from time, Jimmy Whitehouse had a chance when he shot hard against the legs of the goalkeeper, but the ball rebounded to safety.

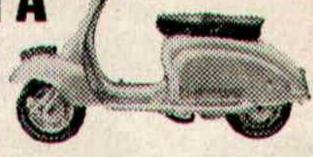
After we had put up such a great fight, Halifax broke away and scored the winning goal exactly on the stroke of time.

It was indeed a tragedy to lose the game in such a manner for one point would have made so much difference.

On Monday next, 5th March, we have a very attractive match versus West Ham United, at Elm Park, at 7.15 p.m. This popular First Division Club have agreed to play here for the benefits of Jimmy Whitehouse, Douggie Webb and Mrs. W. Robson, the widow of our late Assistant Trainer.

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Manager: Mr. B. Head. Secretary: Mr. R. A. Morse. Appended are Pen Pictures of the Club's Players.

MICHAEL O'HARA—Transferred from Luton Town F.C. in November, 1961, and has since played regularly for the first team.

TERRY WOOLLEN—A local boy who made his debut for the first team when 16.

JOHN TROLLOPE—Another local boy who joined the ground staff from school. Was selected for the first team in season 1960-61, when he was 16.

KEITH MORGAN—A strong, attacking wing half, who joined Swindon as a youth from Westbury. Played in every first team

game during 1960-61.

MAURICE OWEN—The team captain and oldest member of the team. Formerly a centre forward, has had long and outstanding service with the Club.

BOB WOODRUFF—Another local born player who came to the town direct from the Swindon Schoolboy's team. His perform-

ances have been a target for several transfer offers

MIKE SUMMERBEE—Born in Cheltenham, he is another product of the Swindon Youth policy. Another of the players wanted by several Clubs.

ERNIE HUNT-Joined the Club's ground staff from school. A

local boy, he is just eighteen years old.

JACK SMITH—Joined the Robins from Watford during the close season. He was formerly with Hartlepools United.

BILL ATKINS-At present in the services, he joined Swindon

from Aston Villa at the end of the 1958-59 season.

ERIC WEAVER—An amateur player, who is on a service engagement with the Royal Air Force. Signed in December last.

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Grimsby	33	18	5	10	49	42	41
READING	32	17	4	11	58	51	38
Watford	34	14	10	10	55	53	38
Peterborough	32	16	5	11	73	64	37
Northampton	33	14	8	11	63	40	36
Crystal Palace	33	14	8	11	71	57	36
Q.P.R	31	14	7	10	72	53	35
Coventry	31	12	8	11	47	48	32
Notts. Co	30	12	7	11	51	51	31
Southend	34	9	13	12	42	49	31
Swindon	31	9	12	10	54	54	30
Hull	31	11	7	13	42	40	29
Port Vale	31	11	7	13	42	41	29
Halifax	28	11	6	11	44	47	28
Bradford	29	12	4	13	52	56	28
Shrewsbury	33	9	9	15	55	66	27
Barnsley	31	8	9	14	54	68	25
Lincoln	32	7	11	14	41	56	25
Brentford	32	9	5	18	35	66	23
Torquay	33	9	4	20	55	82	22
Newport	32	4	4	24	32	78	12

## GOALSCORERS—LEAGUE

Webb, 15. Wheeler, 10.
Lacey, 7. Palethorpe, 5.
Evans, 1. Vallard, 1.
Travers, 1. Own Goal, 2.

Allen, 10 Whitehouse, 5. Norton, 1.

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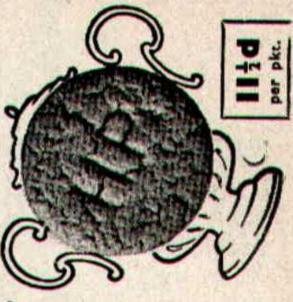
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## Combination

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Aug.		H	1	2
	29—Brighton & Hove	A	1	1
Sept.	6—Millwall	H	2	2
11.	13—Charlton Athletic	A		1
- **	27—Chelsea	A	0	4
Oct.	4—Birmingham City	A	0	2
**	11—Fulham	H	0	1
	18—Leyton Orient	A	0	1
	25—Southend United	H	3	0
Nov.	1—Portsmouth	A	2	0
	8—Southampton	H	3222	1
29.	15—Coventry City	H	2	0
**	22—Bournemouth	A	0	1
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Dec.	5—Watford	A	4	2
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1962				
Jan.	3—Brentford	H	P	
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Mar.	7—Portsmouth	H		
**	14—Southampton	A		
**	21—Birmingham City	H		
	28—Coventry City	A		
April	4—Bournemouth	H		
**	10—Swindon Town	1		
**	18—Watford	H		
**	30—Aldershot	H		

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Good evening, Ladies and Gentlemen and welcome to our friends from Swindon, also to our new signing, Wesley Maughan, whom we wish a successful stay in Reading.

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