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CLUB NOTES

In this programme, for our first game in Division 2 of the Football League, you will notice the design is slightly altered. We hope to improve still further the layout and contents.

During the summer months discussions have taken place with Mr. L. C. Newman, Managing Director of the Borough Press, who print the programme. We wish to thank him for his help, his infinite patience and, above all, his great enthusiasm.

Mr. Newman has been a loyal supporter of Swindon Town for well over 40 years, but his keenness has in no way diminished. He is most anxious to help, especially in the production of this programme. He will not be satisfied until

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“Swindon Town F.C. programme is the most outstanding in the country”. He looks forward to the day when it will be more in the nature of a football magazine.

We must thank also the **Swindon Advertiser** and its sports writers for their kind consideration and immense help. They are ready, at any time, to produce facts and old records and also “blocks” for photographs of incidents and players.

Finally, to our great friend, the writer of the Supporters’ Club notes. His co-operation has been excellent, and so we have been able to dovetail the two articles—Club and Supporters. May this happy relationship continue in the years to come. Thank you sir, and also for so cheerfully carrying on with what we realise is a most arduous task.

To supporters: thank you for purchasing the programmes. We do hope you find them interesting.

Finally, please be sure to buy the “official programme”. On several occasions last season “pirate” programmes were on sale. Members who sell the programmes wear white plastic mackintoshes, not linen smocks or overalls.

In anticipation of bigger gates, the Board of Directors has spent much time and energy in endeavouring to find ways and means of increased accommodation, comfort of spectators, and easy access to all parts of the ground. Because of the unpre-

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cedented demand for season tickets, tip-up seats have been placed in both ends of the old stand. Another innovation is the placing of seats around the playing area. This is very much an experiment. How long the seats remain in that position depends upon (a) the demand, at enclosure prices; and (b) the reaction and behaviour of the occupants. Supporters who sit in the seats are specially requested not to move until the final whistle. Older supporters will remember that earlier seats placed around the ground were removed chiefly because of incidents occurring after a match.

Regarding the proposed new stand, plans are still being discussed, regarding type and siting of the building.

The Town Council (our landlords) have shown great interest, and have been most helpful. They, through the Borough Surveyor, hope to see erected at the County Ground a stand unique in English football, one of outstanding design and structure. May all our hopes be realised.

Meanwhile, the great need at the moment is more and better accommodation for spectators, thus providing more revenue for the Club.

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OUR VISITORS

For the opening game of our Division II season we are pleased to welcome the Directors, Officials and Players of Scunthorpe United Football Club.

Details of the players from whom the team will be selected are as follows:—

JONES, KEN (Goalkeeper)

A native of South Wales, and a former Welsh Under-23 International. Joined Scunthorpe in 1958-59 season from Cardiff City, and is reckoned one of the best goalkeepers in the Second Division.

REEVES, BRIAN (Goalkeeper)

In his second full season with Scunthorpe and played really well when drafted into the senior side at the end of last season. A Lancashire lad, he joined Scunthorpe from Blackburn Rovers and has made rapid improvement towards the top grade.

BROWNSWORD, JACK (Full Back)

Scunthorpe's veteran full back, having joined the club from Frickley Colliery, while United were in the Midland League. Has a fine record as a player, and is the team's penalty expert. Had a short spell with Hull City before going non league with Frickley. A native of Bentley, near Doncaster, and a former collier.

HORSTEAD, BARRY (Full Back)

Another long service player, who joined Scunthorpe from Brigg Town. Was originally a wing-half but has also played well at centre half. Born at Brigg, but Scunthorpe is his only league club. Strong full back, and full of courage.

HEMSTEAD, DEREK (Full Back)

Joined Scunthorpe straight from a local school, and has worked his way through the junior teams. Has made several first team appearances in the last two seasons, and is a full back of real promise. Born in Scunthorpe.

GIBSON, ARCHIE (Wing Half)

Joined Scunthorpe for a fee from Leeds United, and now starting his fourth season with the club. Has been club captain for the past three seasons. A Scotsman, who plays a calm game and is rarely rattled.

OUR VISITORS—CONTINUED

GANNON, MIKE (Wing Half)

Joined Scunthorpe from Everton at the start of last season as a full back, but could not settle. Was moved to wing half, and made such improvement that he was back in the senior side at the end of the season. A native of Liverpool.

NEALE, PETER (Centre Half)

Joined Scunthorpe for their first season in the Second Division in 1958 as an inside forward from Oldham Athletic. From there was switched to wing half, and later to centre half, where he has made his name. Fearless, and a fine header of the ball. Born in Derbyshire.

PASSMOOR, TOM (Centre Half)

Joined Scunthorpe five years ago from South Shields, but was previously with Sunderland. A strong player, who has stepped into the first team as deputy for Neale and played some outstanding games.

MARRIOTT, JACK (Wing Forward)

Started as a professional with Scunthorpe, and moved from them to Sheffield Wednesday, returning to Scunthorpe via Huddersfield Town. Can play on either wing, and a most experienced wing forward. Born at Scunthorpe.

WILSON, ANDY (Wing Forward)

Joined Scunthorpe from Sheffield United three years ago, and has played well in both wing positions. Very fast, and clever on the ball. A native of Rotherham.

LINDSEY, BARRY (Inside Forward)

A young inside forward of great promise, who made his first team debut two years ago at the age of 18. Joined Scunthorpe straight from a local school, and has quickly developed into an inside forward of great potential. Has a younger brother Keith, who is on the ground staff. Born in Scunthorpe.

HODGSON, KEN (Inside or Wing Forward)

Another utility forward of great promise, who joined Scunthorpe from Newcastle United, his home town club, in late 1961. Can play in any of the forward positions.



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CRAWFORD, IAN (Wing Forward)

Signed just before last season's transfer dead-line for a big fee from West Ham. Yet another Scot, who has quickly settled down at Scunthorpe. Like Brownsword, is a qualified F.A. coach. Before joining West Ham was with Hearts. Edinburgh born.

CLOSE SEASON SIGNINGS

HUTTON, JOHN (Wing or Inside Forward)

Signed in face of stiff competition from the Scottish club Hamilton Academicals. Big things are expected of this young player, who made a big mark in the Scottish Second Division last season.

LAWTHER, IAN (Centre Forward)

Signed during the close season from Blackburn Rovers at a club record transfer fee. Formerly played with Sunderland. The only Irish born player on the staff and the holder of several international caps.

SMILLIE, ANDREW (Inside Forward)

Born Isle of Sheppey. Another close season signing from Crystal Palace. He previously played with West Ham United. A good ball player and the holder of a number of Youth International caps.

MAHY, BARRY (Inside Forward)

Signed from the Channel Islands club, Northerners A.C. of Guernsey, after impressing in an inter-islands match. Has been a prominent Channel Islands player, from the same district as Nottingham Forest's winger Le Flem. Born in Doncaster, and married to a Leeds girl. Signed after a Scunthorpe trial, with a generous donation given to his former club.

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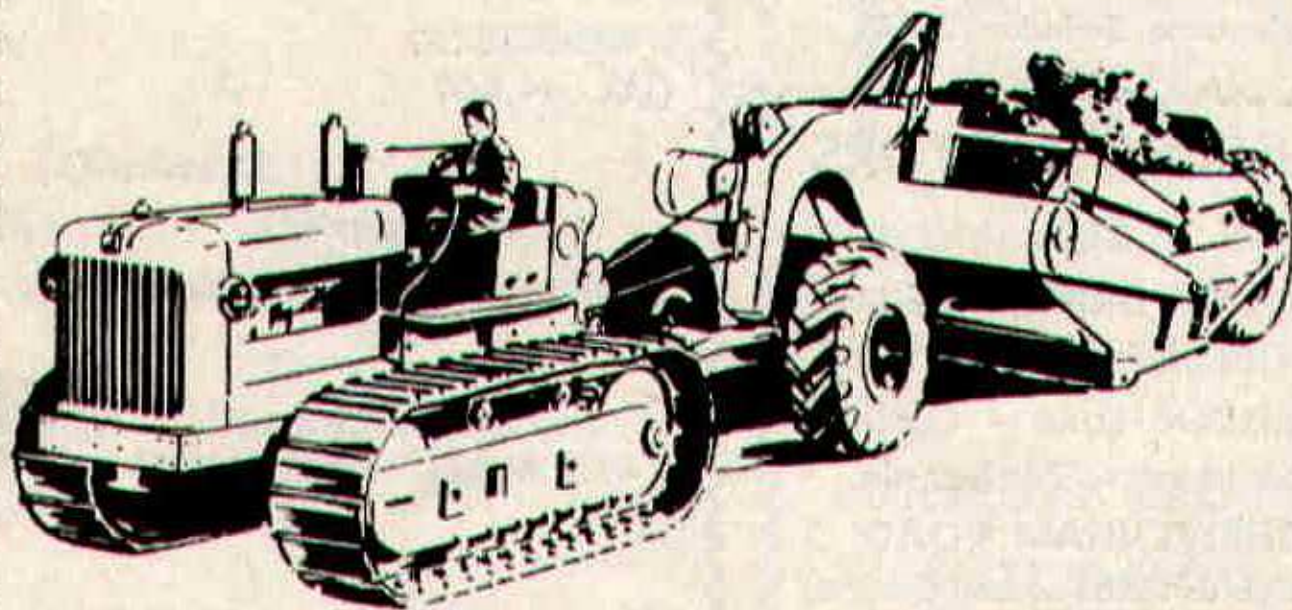
Date	Opponents	Ground	Result
1963			
August 24	SCUNTHORPE UNITED	(H)
28	GRIMSBY TOWN	(A)
31	PORTSMOUTH	(A)	.....
September 3	GRIMSBY TOWN	(H)	.....
7	ROTHERHAM UNITED	(H)	.....
10	MANCHESTER CITY	(H)	.....
14	LEEDS UNITED	(A)	.....
18	MANCHESTER CITY	(A)	.....
21	SUNDERLAND	(H)	.....
28	NORTHAMPTON TOWN	(A)	.....
October 1	CHARLTON ATHLETIC	(H)	.....
5	BURY	(H)	.....
12	PRESTON NORTH END	(A)	.....
19	LEYTON ORIENT	(H)	.....
26	PLYMOUTH ARGYLE	(A)	.....
November 2	SOUTHAMPTON	(H)	.....
9	MIDDLESBROUGH	(A)	.....
16	(1) NEWCASTLE UNITED	(H)	.....
23	HUDDERSFIELD TOWN	(A)	.....
30	DERBY COUNTY	(H)	.....
December 7	(2) SWANSEA TOWN	(A)	.....
14	SCUNTHORPE UNITED	(A)	.....
21	PORTSMOUTH	(H)	.....
26	NORWICH CITY	(A)	.....
28	NORWICH CITY	(H)	.....
1964			
January 4	(3)	.....	.....
11	ROTHERHAM UNITED	(A)	.....
18	LEEDS UNITED	(H)	.....
25	(4)	.....	.....
February 1	SUNDERLAND	(A)	.....
8	NORTHAMPTON TOWN	(H)	.....
15	(5) BURY	(A)	.....
22	PRESTON NORTH END	(H)	.....
29	(6) NEWCASTLE UNITED	(A)	.....
March 7	PLYMOUTH ARGYLE	(H)	.....
14	(S.F.) CHARLTON ATHLETIC	(A)	.....
21	MIDDLESBROUGH	(H)	.....
27	CARDIFF CITY	(H)	.....
28	LEYTON ORIENT	(A)	.....
30	CARDIFF CITY	(A)	.....
April 4	HUDDERSFIELD TOWN	(H)
11	DERBY COUNTY	(A)
18	SWANSEA TOWN	(H)
25	SOUTHAMPTON	(A)
May 2	(FINAL)

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SUPPORTERS' CLUB NOTES

The great day has arrived! Since 14th May we have all been calculating the interval to the 24th August, first in months, then in weeks, and latterly in days. Now we open the campaign in the Second Division, and offer our best wishes to all at the County Ground—Directorate, Management and Players, for a happy, harmonious and successful season.

The successes of 1962/63 are still fresh in mind, together with the various celebrations and receptions which followed. Many of our friends have suggested that there should be published a collection of the photographs which were taken on these occasions.

In fact, we have been working on such lines during the close season, in the course of preparing the Club's Handbook for 1963/64, and, thanks to the courtesy of the proprietors of our local newspapers we are privileged to be able to include many of these photographs, in addition to the portraits provided by the Club's Official Photographer, Mr. L. C. Maylott.

We trust, therefore, that the book will prove a welcome and unique reminder of the past season, and we hope to have it on sale in the fairly near future.

Our Social Secretaries, Mr. and Mrs. W. Ranger, are preparing for an Outing to Portsmouth on Saturday next, 31st August. This is primarily for those who last season were members of the Outing Club, and is, in fact, an Outing which had to be held over from 1962/63.

Those interested are requested to get in touch with Mr. and Mrs. Ranger at the earliest possible opportunity, either at our Office, or at 52 Medgbury Road (Telephone Swindon 5158).

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The fee per week will be one shilling as previously, with an additional 6d. in the first week as Membership Fee of the Club. Please do not delay your entry. Those who cannot get in touch with a Competition Agent are invited to visit our Office, when suitable arrangements will be made.

Our Competition Secretaries (Messrs. F. N. Deane and T. W. Stenning) will also be pleased to hear from supporters who may be willing to act as Agents.

Finally a preliminary notice that the Supporters' Club will be going into the Circus Business for one night only on Monday, 30th September, at the 7.45 p.m. performance.

Following an approach by a representative of Bertram Mills Circus, which will be in Swindon for the week commencing 30th September, we have booked the whole of the seating accommodation in the "Big Top" for the performance mentioned.

About 500 seats will be given to Organisations and Institutions for Handicapped and Deprived People — mainly children — and the remainder will be available for the general public—further details later.

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August 24	PORTSMOUTH	(A)	
31	QUEEN'S PARK RANGERS	(H)	
Sept. 11	SOUTHAMPTON	(A)	
14	SOUTHEND UNITED	(A)	
24	CHELSEA	(H)	
28	ALDERSHOT	(A)	
October 8	WATFORD	(H)	
12	BRENTFORD	(H)	
19	BIRMINGHAM CITY	(A)	
26	BRIGHTON & HOVE ALBION	(H)	
November 6	COVENTRY CITY	(A)	
9	LEYTON ORIENT	(H)	
19	CHARLTON ATHLETIC	(A)	
23	FULHAM	(H)	
December 4	READING	(A)	
7	BIRMINGHAM CITY	(H)	
14	PORTSMOUTH	(H)	
23	QUEEN'S PARK RANGERS	(A)	

1964

January 4	MILLWALL	(H)	
11	SOUTHAMPTON	(H)	
21	SOUTHEND UNITED	(H)	
28	MILLWALL	(A)	
February 1	CHELSEA	(A)	
15	WATFORD	(A)	
22	BRIGHTON & HOVE ALBION	(A)	
29	COVENTRY CITY	(H)	
March 7	LEYTON ORIENT	(A)	
14	CHARLTON ATHLETIC	(H)	
25	FULHAM	(A)	
28	READING	(H)	
30	ALDERSHOT	(H)	
April 7	BRENTFORD	(A)	
11	BOURNEMOUTH & B.A.	(H)	
25	BOURNEMOUTH & B.A.	(A)	

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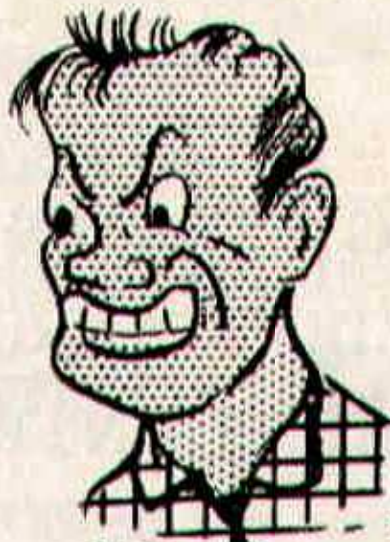


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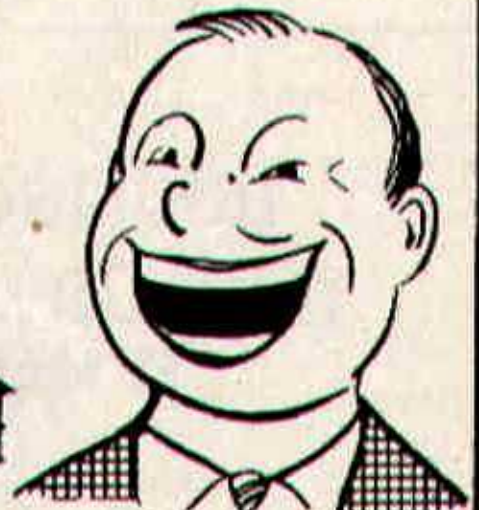
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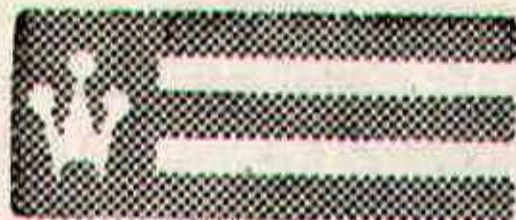
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