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CLUB NOTES

Our Christmas programme of three games, two home and one away, produced a total of three points.

The victory over Portsmouth on Saturday, 21st December, raised the hopes of all supporters. For the third successive year Swindon had an away fixture on Boxing Day, which meant travelling on Christmas Day and an overnight stay.

At Norwich our team played exceedingly well. The Norwich officials were loud in their praises of our young team and their style of play. Right from the kick-off the team "clicked" into gear, and for the first time for several matches, found their natural rhythm. It was a delight to watch, and we soon established a two-goal lead which we held until half-time. Norwich eventually, by dint of tremendous efforts, got on level terms mid-way through the second-half. The result looked all over like a draw, when Norwich suddenly broke away in the last minute, and scored the winning goal.

Norwich supporters rated this game the best of the season. Not a lot of satisfaction for Swindon in the shape of points obtained, but the pleasure of knowing we played good football and provided real entertainment for the large crowd of over twenty-one thousand spectators.

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The journey back home was a real nightmare, the worst experienced for a very long time. The driver (George) of the coach, had to face two of the most difficult hazards on the road, fog and ice. Whilst the greatest strain is, of course, on the driver, a journey such as that experienced on Boxing night, does react on the team. There is bound to be certain apprehension, knowing the dangers confronting the man in charge. Several of the players also helped in keeping a good look out especially on the far side of the vehicle.

Swindon was reached about 3 a.m. on Friday, so after a good sleep there was little time left to deal with knocks, cuts, strains, etc., and there were many as the pitch at Norwich was a mixture of mud, ice and water.

However, the same team turned out on Saturday, with the frost having disappeared, but the pitch rather on the soft side.

The game opened at a fast pace, and Swindon quickly took the lead, with a fine header from Atkins. Norwich, who have really run into form, played quick open football and always looked dangerous with their wingers, always a menace to the home defence. They made the score 1-1 in the fortieth minute. The second half was fairly even, with Swindon having the advantage territorially. However, Norwich took the lead in the eightieth minute, and the home club scored an equalizer three minutes from the end.

Many of our supporters are at the moment rather disappointed and complaining about the results and lack of goals and points. Granted the side is not showing the form of the early part of the season. No team, especially a young one, can be one hundred per cent efficient and on the top line every match.

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This is Swindon's first season in Division II, and halfway through the season with twenty-six games played we occupy fifth place in the League Table. Surely a splendid achievement. Many, before the season opened, hoped we could at least remain in this division. Few dreamed of achieving a place in the top five.

All that the lads need is a return of their confidence. They can be helped to regain this by encouragement from the spectators. So come on supporters, help your team with loyal and true support. One more appeal: will all spectators sitting in the Ring Seats remain until the match ends.

This afternoon we once again have the pleasure of entertaining Manchester City, who recently have been in tremendous form, not being defeated for the past eight games. They have also scored eighteen goals in their last three games. Our defence will be on their mettle, to lower that number.

Manchester is in sixth place of the league, and Swindon fifth. Records are as follows:

Swindon	P.25	G.F.39	A.30	Points 29
Manchester	P.24	G.F.54	A.37	Points 28

Very little difference between the two clubs, so the game will be very keenly fought. Adding zest to it all is the fact that it is the 3rd Round of the Cup, and one team must eventually lose. We can only hope that team is not the home club, with all due respect to the visitors.

This is the first home game of the year. We therefore wish everyone a Happy New Year. May 1964 be as successful as 1963, as regards Swindon Town F.C. Above all, we say, Health and Happiness to Players and Supporters.

OUR VISITORS

Once more it is our pleasure to welcome the Directors, Officials and Players from Manchester for this afternoon's game.

We hope today's game will be as exciting as the last time we met early in the season when we won 3—0.

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

HARRY DOWD (Goalkeeper)

Dowd is one of City's own products, having made his way to the top by way of the Maine Road junior teams. He played his first League game on December 9th, 1961, when Bert Trautmann was absent through illness, and had one other senior outing that season. Dowd gained a regular place early last season, and is now a very consistent 'keeper.

BILL LEIVERS (Full-back)

One of the best post-war signings City have made, Leivers, who comes from Clay Cross, Derbyshire, joined them from Chesterfield in 1953. He made his debut in August the following year, and after a time at centre-half was successfully switched to right-back, to which position he has recently returned after a long spell at centre-half.

CLIFF SEAR (Full-back)

In November, 1962, Sear won his first full Welsh cap against England, after previously playing at Under-23 level. Born at Rhostyllen (Denbighshire) he was spotted by City while playing for Oswestry Town and joined the Maine Road staff in January, 1957. He made his League debut the following April, and quickly became established as a regular senior player.

BARRIE BETTS (Full-back)

Betts also comes from Barnsley, and started his career with the Yorkshire club. He was forced to retire temporarily from the game with a troublesome back injury, but made a remarkable recovery and subsequently joined Stockport County. He moved to Maine Road in the summer of 1960, making his debut for City in August that year. He can play equally well in either full-back position.

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BOBBY KENNEDY (Half-back)

This is Kennedy's third season with City whom he joined from Kilmarnock in the summer of 1961. Born at Motherwell, he gained Scottish Under-23 honours with Kilmarnock, and has proved a most versatile utility player. Last season he played in both full-back positions, at right-half and at inside-right.

ROY CHEETHAM (Centre-half)

Cheetham has been on the professional staff since December, 1956. He made his League debut in March, 1958, at right-half, and has subsequently played in the other wing-half position, on the left-wing, and also at inside-forward. A native of Eccles, Cheetham is one of the most consistent of City's utility players.

ALAN OAKES (Wing-half)

Oakes hails from Winsford, Cheshire, and signed professional forms for City in 1959. After captaining the Youth team he made his League debut in November that year, playing in 18 senior games that season. Last winter he was a regular member of the first team, in which he occupied both wing-half positions.

NEIL YOUNG (Outside-right)

Another product of City's junior organisation, Young is a native of Manchester who made his League debut at the age of 17 in November, 1961. He played so well that he was an automatic choice at outside-right the rest of that season, scoring eleven goals in 26 League and Cup appearances. Last winter he showed his versatility by playing at outside-left and inside-left as well as his usual position on the right wing, and made 31 League appearances scoring five goals.

GLYN PARDOE (Forward)

The youngest player ever to appear in City's senior side, Pardoe made his League debut in April, 1962, when only 15 years and 314 days old. Another of the Club's own products, last season he occupied the centre-forward, inside-left, outside-right and left-half positions, and did much to confirm the promise shown in his earlier outings in the first team.

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MATT GRAY (Inside-forward)

Gray was signed from Third Lanark on February 26th, 1963, and made his debut at inside-forward a week later. He occupied that position until the closing stages of the season, when he had three games at left-half. A native of Renfrew, Gray is a strong, hardworking player who scored six goals in 15 appearances in the front line last season.

JIMMY MURRAY (Centre-forward)

City's latest signing, being transferred from Wolverhampton Wanderers in November. Murray, who was born at Elvington, Dover, was on Wolves' books as an amateur for 2 years before signing professional forms in 1953. He won Cup Winners' and League Championship medals while at Molineux and is a prolific scorer, being well on the way to 200 League goals. He has also played for England Under-23.

PAUL AIMSON (Centre-forward)

Born in Macclesfield, Aimson joined City's paid ranks in August, 1960, and made his League debut against Blackburn Rovers on 9th December, 1961. With the departure of Alex Harley to Birmingham City, Aimson was first choice for centre-forward this season until the signing of Jimmy Murray from Wolves.

DEREK KEVAN (Inside-forward)

Signed from Chelsea last August, Kevan began his professional career with Bradford in 1952 but a year later he followed Bradford's former Manager, Mr. Vic Buckingham, to West Bromwich Albion where he soon established himself in their first team. He was soon playing for the England team and altogether won 14 caps, 4 Under-23 caps and played also for the Football League.

DAVID WAGSTAFFE (Outside-left)

A native of Manchester, Wagstaffe made his senior debut for City on September 7th, 1960, and soon made the left wing position his own. Although possessing a strong shot he does not usually shine as a marksman, preferring to provide scoring chances for others. Has a fine turn of speed and excellent ball control, and has made close on 100 League appearances in the last three seasons.

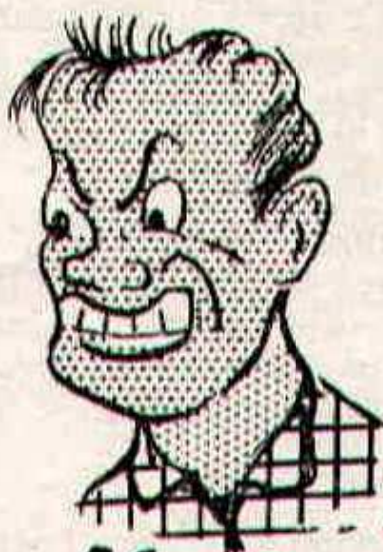


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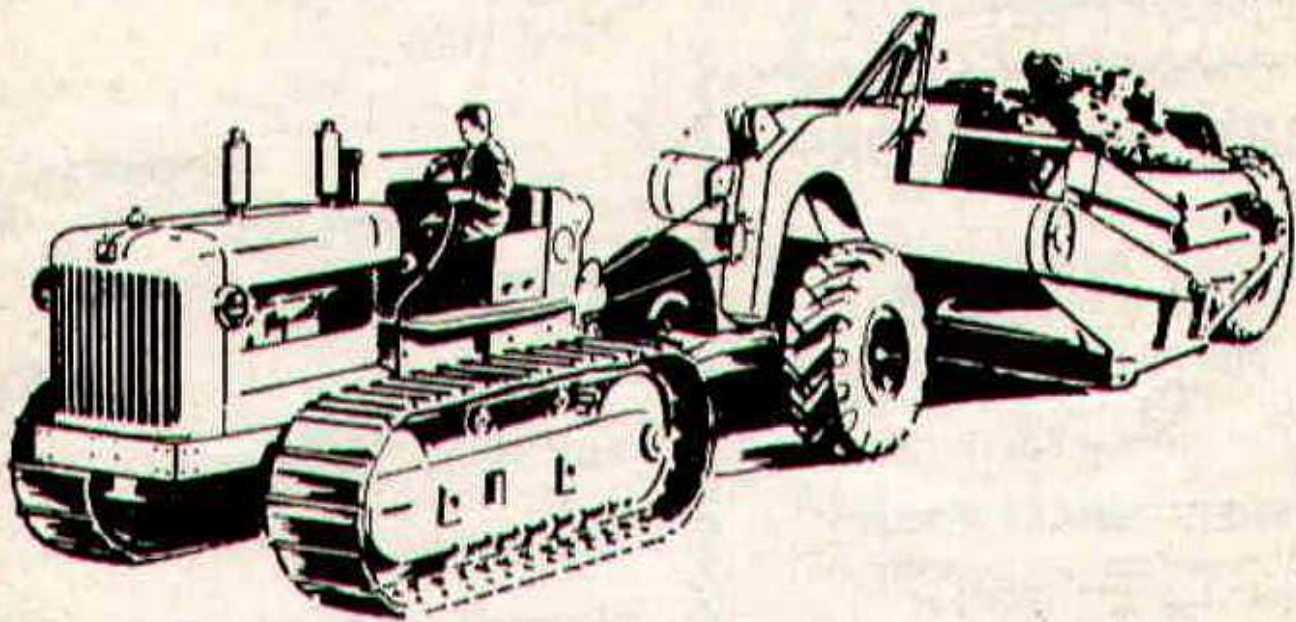


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The writer in the programme of a well-known First Division Club, last season, referred to the fact that, for many people, the football season begins when their local club plays its first F.A. Cup-tie, and ends when it makes its exit from the competition.

They show little interest in their team for the remainder of the season, and in some cases, do not particularly care in which Division of the Football League it participates.

They are content for most of the year to let others bear the expense of running the club, so that for two or three months, and sometimes less, they may have the privilege of attending cup-ties, during which time they show considerable enthusiasm, and probably regard themselves as indispensable supporters.

So wrote the First Division Club's Official, and, as Swindon people are by no means unique, we feel that, at the County Ground this afternoon, there will be many who will be seeing the team in action for the first time this season. We extend a very cordial welcome to them, and ask them to consider whether they might also stretch their enthusiasm, so as to attend League matches also.

Those of us who saw the earlier game this season with Manchester City, remember it with great pleasure, and look forward with eager anticipation to a repeat performance today.

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At the time of writing, talk of transfers of players is in the air, but the position at the moment is nebulous.

Jack Smith played a great part in the promotion success of last season, is a great Club man and popular with all who know him.

Should it transpire that he will remain in Swindon, then it will be a popular decision, but if fate takes him elsewhere, he may be assured that he, his wife and small daughter, will take with them the good wishes of all, for a successful future.

W. Atkins has not played so prominent a part in the first team, but again all will wish him and his wife well, wherever their future may lie.

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Leeds United

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TUESDAY, JANUARY 21st, 1964

FOOTBALL COMBINATION

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Date	Opponents	Ground	Result
1963			
August 24	SCUNTHORPE UNITED	(H)	3-0
28	GRIMSBY TOWN	(A)	2-1
31	PORTSMOUTH	(A)	4-1
September 3	GRIMSBY TOWN	(H)	2-1
7	ROTHERHAM UNITED	(H)	3-1
10	MANCHESTER CITY	(H)	3-0
14	LEEDS UNITED	(A)	0-0
18	MANCHESTER CITY	(A)	0-0
21	SUNDERLAND	(H)	1-0
25	CHELSEA (League Cup)	(H)	3-0
28	NORTHAMPTON TOWN	(A)	0-4
October 1	CHARLTON ATHLETIC	(H)	2-2
5	BURY	(H)	2-1
12	PRESTON NORTH END	(A)	0-1
16	SOUTHEND (League Cup)	(H)	3-0
19	LEYTON ORIENT	(H)	5-0
26	PLYMOUTH ARGYLE	(A)	4-2
November 2	SOUTHAMPTON	(H)	1-2
9	MIDDLESBROUGH	(A)	1-1
16	(1) NEWCASTLE UNITED	(H)	0-0
19	WEST HAM UNITED (League Cup)	(H)	3-3
23	HUDDERSFIELD TOWN	(A)	0-2
25	WEST HAM UNITED (League Cup)	(A)	1-4
30	DERBY COUNTY	(H)	0-0
December 7	(2) SWANSEA TOWN	(A)	0-3
14	SCUNTHORPE UNITED	(A)	0-3
21	PORTSMOUTH	(H)	2-0
26	NORWICH CITY	(A)	2-3
28	NORWICH CITY	(H)	2-2
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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Table of Results to Tuesday, 31st December, 1963 (inclusive)

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
Chelsea	16	10	4	2	40	10	24
Birmingham City	17	10	4	3	44	22	24
Charlton Athletic	16	9	5	2	31	20	23
Portsmouth	16	9	3	4	42	26	21
Swindon Town	15	10	1	4	46	28	21
Leyton Orient	17	9	3	5	37	35	21
Southampton	19	9	1	9	41	40	19
Fulham	17	7	4	6	33	31	18
Reading	17	6	5	6	45	44	17
Millwall	18	6	5	7	23	24	17
Coventry City	18	6	5	7	30	32	17
Bournemouth	17	6	4	7	25	25	16
Watford	17	5	5	7	32	35	15
Brentford	19	5	5	9	29	43	15
Brighton and Hove	16	5	2	9	27	50	12
Queens Park Rangers	17	5	1	11	22	36	11
Aldershot	16	2	5	9	18	36	9
Southend United	18	1	4	13	30	58	6

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