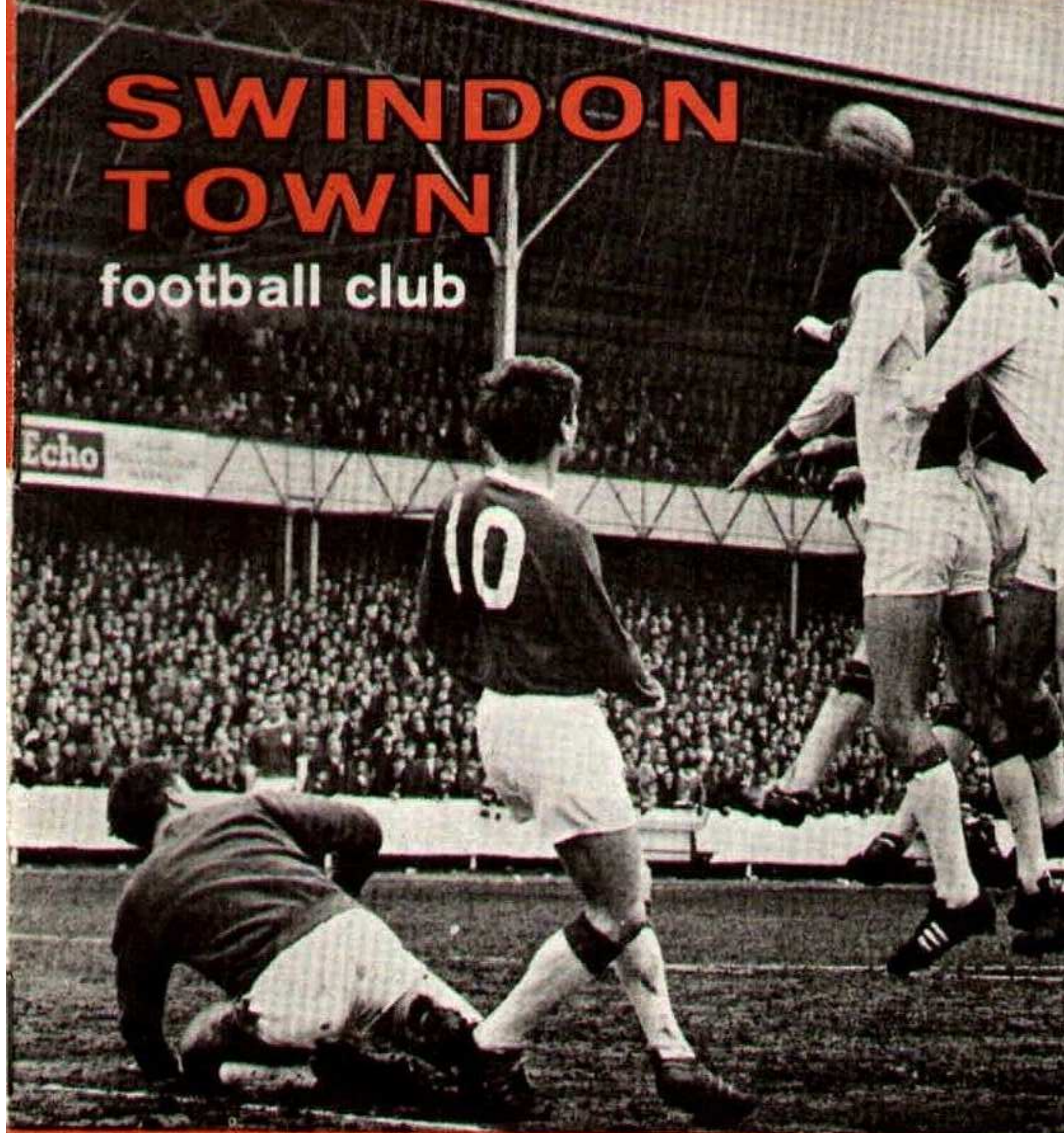


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TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 28th, 1967

DIVISION III

# SWINDON TOWN

v.

# GRIMSBY TOWN

Kick-off 7.30 p.m.

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# NEWS and VIEWS

Despite the fact that many minds and thoughts are still on cup football, tonight we must get down to the serious business of improving our league position.

It is all very well saying our goal average is good and we have as many as two matches in hand. The plain fact is we are at present in the relegation group, i.e., the bottom four places, and it is going to require a great effort on the part of everyone of us to move out of the danger zone. We may be two games in hand, but our league form over the past six matches has not produced one point per game. In fact the six games have not provided us with a single point. The Cup provides interest, sometimes finance, but whatever happens, even if we went to Wembley(!!!) we **must** retain our league status. Relegation to Division IV would be most detrimental to Swindon Town.

This evening, with hopes of an improvement riding high, we entertain Grimsby Town who, like ourselves, is not enjoying the best of league football.

Last season we were due to play them twice in the Christmas holiday. In the away game played on Boxing Day we drew 2—2, but the return to be played the following day was postponed owing to the surface of the County Ground being frozen. At the time Grimsby Town was participating in a successful run, and occupied third position in the league table. It was

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therefore a great disappointment to everyone when the match was put off, especially as the Grimsby players had made the long journey from East Anglia.

We finally played on Tuesday, 10th May, 1966, almost the end of the season, when we had a succession of home fixtures, which unfortunately we did not make enough use of to improve our position. We were actually in fourth position whilst Grimsby Town had slipped back to fifteenth place. The result was a draw, no goals being scored.

Swindon Town (0): Downsborough; Dawson, Thomas; Morgan, Giles, Smart; Weaver, Brown, East, Trollope, Rogers.

Grimsby Town (0): Wainman; Bloomer, Wilkinson; Thompson, Jobling, Cockrill; Fielding, Tees, Foster, Hill, Collins.

Grimsby Town are at present functioning on almost a "shoe-string" budget. They have less than twenty full-time professional players, and have recently transferred two well-known forwards to Charlton Athletic, Matt Tees and Rodney Green.

We wish them well. Grimsby Town is a fine club, known throughout the whole football world for its wonderful hospitality at Blundell Park.

Now back to Cup football. Much has been said of the drawing power, and financial rewards of this competition. We must reiterate however our previous statements that League football

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## GRIMSBY TOWN FOOTBALL CLUB

### **HARRY WAINMAN (Goalkeeper)**

Age 19, comes from Hull. Wrote to Grimsby Town for a trial in January, 1964. Played in three F.A. Amateur Youth Internationals. Got his place when Grimsby Town transferred Charlie Wright to Charlton Athletic in March, 1966.

### **JIMMY BLOOMER (Right Back)**

Son of a former Grimsby Town centre forward. Joined Grimsby Town as a junior and graduated through nursery teams. Also 19 and, like Dad, was a centre forward until converted to full back by a former Grimsby Town manager, Tim Ward, now at Derby County.

### **GRAHAM TAYLOR (Left Back)**

Team captain, joined Grimsby Town as an amateur in 1961. Played for England Grammar Schools that year. Formerly with Scunthorpe United, just 22.

### **KEITH JOBLING (Centre Half)**

Long service player recruited from local football in 1953 and has proved a sound club man all the time.

### **RON COCKERILL (Left Half)**

A talented ball player with a wealth of experience. A six-footer, joined Grimsby Town from Huddersfield Town in 1958 but made his debut three years earlier in First Division football.

### **JOHN FIELDING (Outside Right)**

Signed from Brentford last December. Once an amateur with Everton, his first club was Wigan. He moved to Southport in 1961 and two years later was transferred to Brentford.



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### **DAVE WORTHINGTON (Outside Right)**

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### **BILLY RUDD (Inside Left)**

Grimsby Town's only other close season signing from York City and proving a key figure in the forward line. Previously with Birmingham City.

### **BRIAN HILL (Outside Left)**

Joined Grimsby Town as a 17-year-old six years ago, now maturing into a clever player. Gave a brilliant display, apart from scoring three goals, in Grimsby Town's 7—1 win against local rivals Scunthorpe United on 7th September, 1966.

### **RAY LANCASTER (Wing Half)**

Signed from Rotherham United, where he was talked of as potential England Under 23 material. Suffered a cartilage injury which necessitated an operation early last season and is just regaining form.

### **DOUG COLLINS (Left Winger)**

Aged 21, released by Rotherham United when a junior. Clever on the ball.

### **NORMAN OAKLEY (Goalkeeper)**

Signed in September, 1966, from Swindon Town. Began with Doncaster Rovers and then moved to Hartlepool United who transferred him to Swindon Town in March, 1964. Broke a leg in October, 1965.

### **ANGUS DAVIDSON (Wing Half)**

Joined Grimsby Town from Arbroath Boys Club as an amateur in 1964. Was only 17 when he made senior debut against West Ham United in League Cup fifth round in November, 1965.

### **JOHN WILKINSON (Left Back)**

Comes from Mansfield. Age 17. Played in six league games last season.

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We shall certainly receive a share of a large gate at Nottingham Forest, but the expenses will be higher, and we shall have to compensate Grimsby Town if the gate (the fixture on 11th March) when the match is played, is below the average of home gates for the season.

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## **SUPPORTERS' CLUB ANNUAL DINNER AND DANCE**

**Wednesday, 1st March, 1967**

Tomorrow evening we are looking forward to another cheerful evening at McIlroy's Restaurant. Our Social Club is not large enough, and hasn't the kitchen facilities, as yet, to hold this annual fixture, as it were, on our home ground. We all look forward to the time when it will be. Tonight is your last chance of getting your Dinner tickets, as we have to advise McIlroy's of the total number of diners. So get yours tonight, either before or after the match, at the Club H.Q.'s under the Town end stand, or in the Social Club in the car park. Dance tickets may also be obtained at the same places, or at the door tomorrow evening from 9.15 p.m. Here are the full details.

Reception: 7 p.m. for 7.15 p.m. Dinner.

Dinner music: By Alec Shoreland at his Organ.

Menu: Cream of Tomato Soup; Halibut au Gratin; Roast Turkey with roast and creamed potatoes, garden peas and creamed carrots; Mousse of Mandarin; Coffee; Cheeses and biscuits. Wines available to order.

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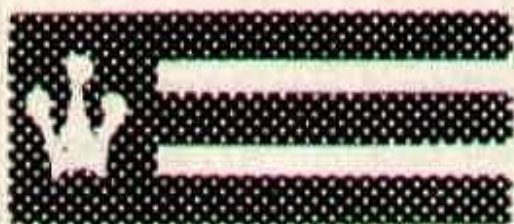
Our congratulations now go to the team for the victory over Bury in last Saturday's cup-tie. Perhaps it did not reach the heights reached in the West Ham matches, but the result was just as decisive — a pass into the next round and a most attractive draw against Notts Forest. I am sure that many thousands of loyal supporters will travel to the match, and I am sure the trip will be worth it. Notts Forest playing pitch is acknowledged to be one of the best in England, and this will, in itself, be of great help to the lads. Further, win, draw or lose, they will be able to play football, and on this account alone will stand a good chance of upsetting the prophets of the Press. I am looking forward to comparing Don Rogers with Ian Moore, the Forest left-winger who has been chosen for the next England under-23 team. Swindon supporters are in no doubt as to Don's ability, and if Sir Alfred Ramsey should also be at the match, he could do much worse than to keep an eye on John Trollope, who I personally consider to be one of the most unrecognised players in League football today.

I am advised by a colleague of mine — a Notts Forest supporter incidentally — that anyone travelling to Nottingham by car would be advised to leave the M1 motorway where it crosses the Derby/Nottingham by-pass, and keep on the North side of the Trent river, heading for the Notts County ground. There is ample parking facilities here — in Meadow Lane which is off London Road — including the cattle market, which can hold about 4,000 cars. This is about 400 yards from the Forest ground — a short walk over Trent Bridge from the car park — and he tells me that car parking facilities around the Forest ground are particularly bad when leaving after a match.

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Programme Notes, as far as they affect our members, on that day.

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Membership of the Social Club is still available, but is approaching our present limit. Supporters, particularly country supporters, would find the facilities offered very much to their liking, and a convenient meeting place if their wives spend the afternoon shopping. The bar is open at 4.45 p.m. after every Saturday match, and hot snacks — almost meals in fact — are available as well. In the evening, of course, is the usual Party Night, with dancing up to 11 p.m.

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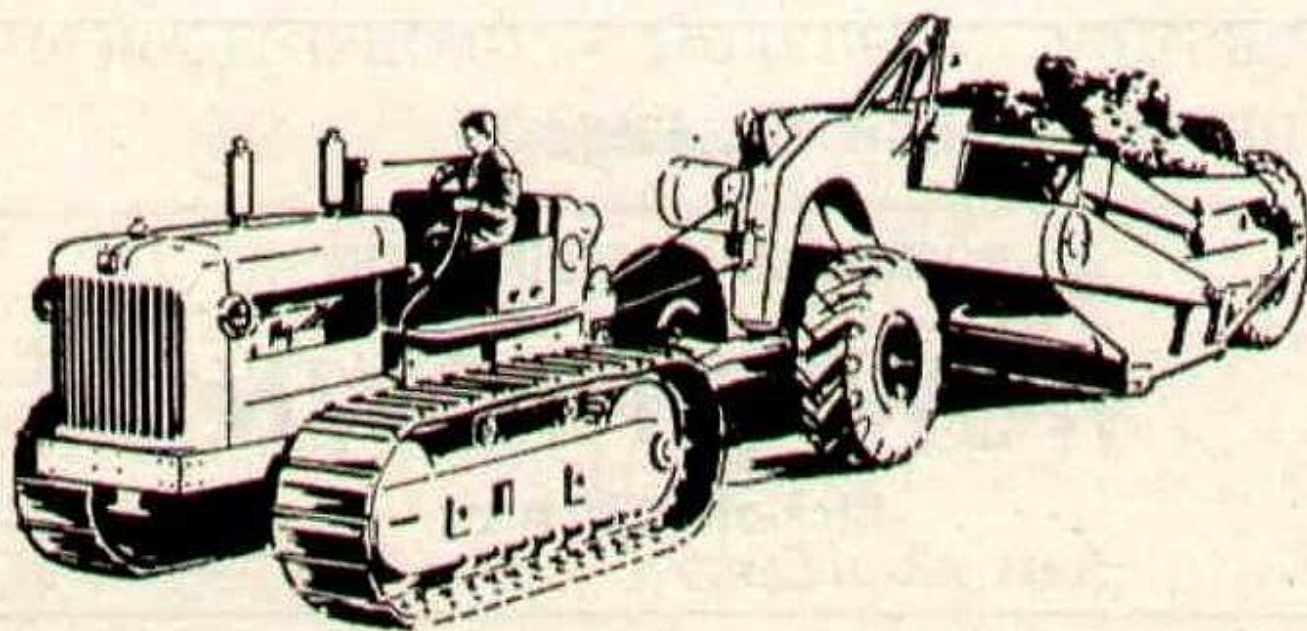
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**SATURDAY, MARCH 7th, 1967**

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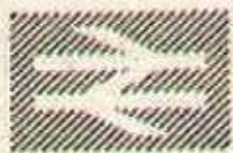
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August 20	BRIGHTON & HOVE ALBION .....	10,102	.....(A)	2—2
24	BOURNEMOUTH & B.A. (League Cup)	7,769	.....(H)	2—1
27	DARLINGTON .....	10,855	.....(H)	4—0
September 3	QUEEN'S PARK RANGERS .....	7,900	.....(A)	1—3
6	COLCHESTER UNITED .....	11,600	.....(H)	1—1
10	WATFORD .....	9,999	.....(H)	1—2
13	PORTSMOUTH (League Cup) .....	7,784	.....(H)	4—1
17	BRISTOL ROVERS .....	10,907	.....(A)	0—3
24	READING .....	9,064	.....(A)	1—2
26	COLCHESTER UNITED .....	7,874	.....(A)	1—2
October 1	DONCASTER ROVERS .....	7,780	.....(H)	0—1
4	DONCASTER ROVERS (League Cup) ..	9,190	.....(A)	1—1
8	SHREWSBURY TOWN .....	7,985	.....(H)	2—2
11	DONCASTER R. (League Cup Replay)...	8,147	.....(H)	4—2
15	MIDDLESBROUGH .....	8,126	.....(A)	0—4
18	WALSALL .....	9,027	.....(A)	1—1
22	SWANSEA TOWN .....	8,638	.....(H)	4—0
25	W. BROMWICH ALBION (League Cup)	16,254	.....(H)	0—2
29	BOURNEMOUTH & B.A. ....	6,333	.....(A)	4—1
November 5	LEYTON ORIENT .....	8,996	.....(H)	5—1
12	GILLINGHAM .....	7,320	.....(A)	0—1
19	WORKINGTON .....	9,497	.....(H)	3—0
26	(1) HORSHAM .....	8,000	.....(A)	3—0
December 3	OLDHAM ATHLETIC .....	10,347	.....(H)	6—3
10	OXFORD UNITED .....	10,037	.....(A)	0—0
17	BRIGHTON & HOVE ALBION .....	9,900	.....(H)	1—1
24	PETERBOROUGH UNITED .....	5,393	.....(A)	2—1
26	PETERBOROUGH UNITED .....	14,619	.....(H)	4—1
31	DARLINGTON .....	5,060	.....(A)	1—2
January 7	(2) ASHFORD TOWN .....	12,079	.....(H)	5—0
14	WATFORD .....	16,942	.....(A)	0—2
21	BRISTOL ROVERS .....	15,479	.....(H)	0—1
28	(3) WEST HAM UNITED .....	37,440	.....(A)	3—3
31	WEST HAM UTD. (3rd Round Replay)...	25,789	.....(H)	3—1
February 4	READING .....	16,964	.....(H)	0—1
11	DONCASTER ROVERS .....	7,935	.....(A)	0—1
18	(4) BURY .....	24,452	.....(H)	2—1
25	SHREWSBURY TOWN .....	.....	.....(A)	1—3
28	GRIMSBY TOWN .....	.....	.....(H)	.....
March 4	MIDDLESBROUGH .....	.....	.....(H)	.....
11	(5) NOTTINGHAM FOREST .....	.....	.....(A)	.....
14	QUEEN'S PARK RANGERS.....	.....	.....(H)	.....
18	SWANSEA TOWN .....	.....	.....(A)	.....
25	BOURNEMOUTH & B.A. ....	.....	.....(H)	.....
27	TORQUAY UNITED .....	.....	.....(A)	.....
28	TORQUAY UNITED .....	.....	.....(H)	.....
April 1	LEYTON ORIENT .....	.....	.....(A)	.....
8	(6) GILLINGHAM .....	.....	.....(H)	.....
11	MANSFIELD TOWN .....	.....	.....(H)	.....
15	WORKINGTON .....	.....	.....(A)	.....
18	WALSALL .....	.....	.....(H)	.....
22	SCUNTHORPE UNITED .....	.....	.....(H)	.....
24	MANSFIELD TOWN .....	.....	.....(A)	.....
29	(S.F.) OLDHAM ATHLETIC .....	.....	.....(A)	.....
May 6	OXFORD UNITED .....	.....	.....(H)	.....
12	SCUNTHORPE UNITED .....	.....	.....(A)	.....



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Wednesday .....	£20	10331	£5	23341
Thursday .....	£20	21671	£5	10947
Friday .....	£20	21432	£5	25795
Saturday		£100		12249

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£50	1st prize .....	11—07—15
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£20	3rd prize .....	10—01—10

## Swindon Town F.C. Sportsmen's Association

### SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT

The sale of the "Robins Flutter" tickets have been discontinued. As from Saturday, 25th February, the Sportsmen's "Free Car" tickets will be on sale at all Saturday first team and Reserve matches. A draw will be made at half-time for eleven prizes totalling £225, as follows: 1 @ £100, 5 @ £20 and 5 @ £5. Certain tickets are marked "Car Tickets", and after checking for money prizes should be marked on the inside with name and address and left at the Competitions Office. The car winner will be announced at the Torquay United match on Tuesday, 28th March.



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	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts.
Queen's Park Rangers.....	30	18	10	2	77	28	46
Bristol Rovers .....	33	18	7	8	63	50	43
Mansfield Town .....	31	16	7	8	63	51	39
Watford .....	30	15	7	8	43	29	37
Torquay United .....	32	14	7	11	48	24	35
Middlesbrough .....	30	14	7	9	58	45	35
Oldham Athletic .....	31	14	5	12	61	42	33
Shrewsbury Town .....	31	13	7	11	54	48	33
Gillingham .....	31	10	13	8	36	36	33
Oxford United .....	30	11	8	11	41	38	30
Walsall .....	29	13	4	12	42	47	30
Scunthorpe United .....	32	12	6	14	38	50	30
Reading .....	31	12	5	14	46	45	29
Bournemouth & B.A. ....	31	9	11	11	28	39	29
Grimsby Town .....	29	12	4	13	44	45	28
Peterborough United ....	30	9	9	12	45	48	27
Colchester United .....	31	11	5	15	50	57	27
Darlington .....	32	10	7	15	31	57	27
Brighton & H.A. ....	29	10	6	13	40	43	26
Leyton Orient .....	29	7	11	11	36	47	25
Doncaster Rovers .....	30	10	5	15	43	74	25
<b>Swindon Town .....</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>22</b>
Swansea Town .....	30	6	10	14	55	67	22
Workington .....	30	7	5	18	36	59	19



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