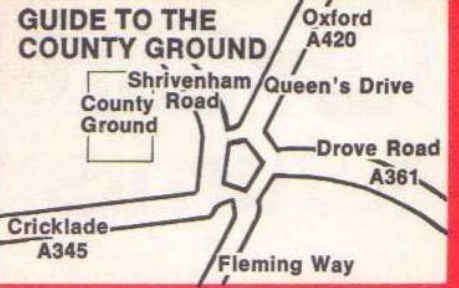




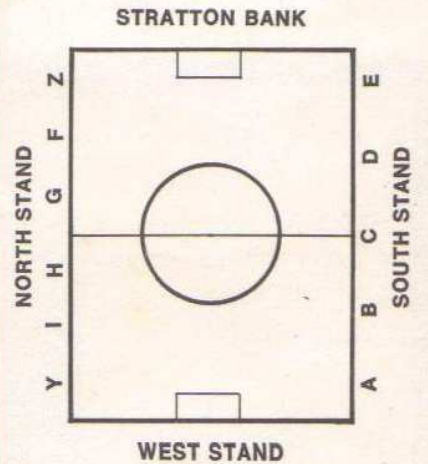
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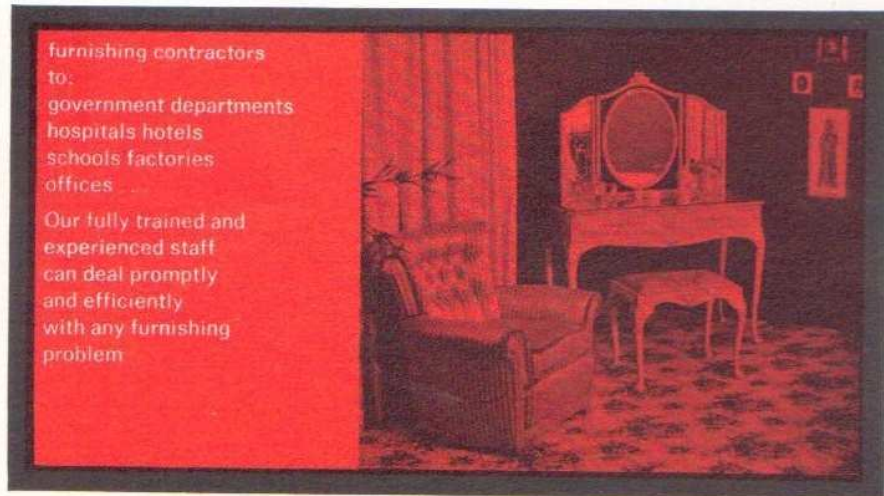


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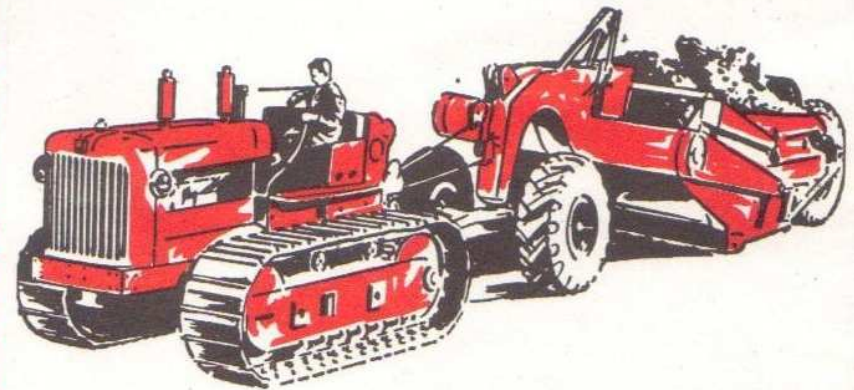


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MONDAY, 21st OCTOBER, 1968

FOOTBALL LEAGUE CUP
FOURTH ROUND REPLAY

SWINDON TOWN

v.

COVENTRY CITY

Kick-off 7.30 p.m.

REFEREE:

MR. K. E. WALKER (Maidstone)

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NEWS and VIEWS

It is an unexpected pleasure to write these Notes. Whilst we are always optimistic, added to the fact we do well in cup-ties, few expected the fine display we witnessed last Wednesday at Coventry.

The final result was somewhat disappointing for Swindon; but we must agree it was a most entertaining game, and credit Coventry City for the fight back to obtain a draw.

Returning to our team, the satisfactory result came from complete all-round team work. It would be unfair to criticise any member of the team, or to select one as being outstanding. Every player did his job to his utmost. Some of our lads must have run miles, and covered almost every blade of grass on the pitch.

Our supporters (and they must have numbered in the region of five thousand) must have been impressed by the magnificent ground at Coventry. They are amongst the most outstanding clubs in the country today. They have spent thousands of pounds on levelling the playing surface, providing new stands (three in four years, including the giant behind the goal), with amazing facilities for their various fund-raising organisations. They also provide many refreshment bars and places of interest, and the means for social entertainment and recreation.

Coventry City is a strong, fast running, hard, experienced team, composed of many highly priced players. This evening's game should prove to be most exciting and keenly contested. Their present manager is Mr. Noel Cantwell, formerly of West Ham United and Manchester United.

If memory serves me aright we have met Coventry City on three previous occasions in the F.A. Cup Competition, all at

NEWS AND VIEWS—continued

home. The first two resulted in wins. Many will still remember that great game in 1957, when Bob Edwards scored two fine goals from the inside-left position against the redoubtable Reg Matthews, later transferred to Chelsea and, up to last season, at Derby County.

The third game was on 22nd January, 1966, in the F.A. Cup Third Round. Coventry City won by two goals to one. John Trollope had the misfortune to deflect a shot past his own goalkeeper. Dennis Brown equalised, but Ronnie Rees, outside-right, scored a fine winning goal near the end of the game.

Swindon: Downsborough; Dawson, Trollope; Morgan, Nurse, Richardson; Henderson, Smart, East, Brown, Rogers.

Coventry City: Wesson; Harris, Kearns; Bruck, Curtis, Farmer; Rees, Pointer, Hudson, Machin, Mitten.

Attendance: 20,200.

Receipts: £4,400.

Referee: Mr. L. Callaghan.

Most of the players are still in football, possibly with the exception of Henderson and Richardson.

Of the Coventry team, Kearns, Curtis, Bruck and Machin (now captain), are still with the Club; Wesson is now on the books of Walsall, and played at Swindon recently; Harris now plays for Queen's Park Rangers after returning to Chelsea from Coventry City; Farmer is with Notts County; Rees figures in the successful West Bromwich Albion team; Pointer now plays for Portsmouth; Hudson, after several moves, is now with Tranmere Rovers; Mitten recently moved from Plymouth Argyle to Exeter City.

We welcome Coventry City as old friends, with whom we had many tussles in their Division 3 days. Swindon in fact

NEWS AND VIEWS—continued

gained promotion from Division 3 to Division 2 before Coventry City.

We are sure our supporters will give a real welcome to our local boy, Ernie Hunt. He will want to play well tonight. We still remember that fine match against Coventry City on 20th February, 1965, when Ernie, as captain of Swindon, led his team to a resounding win by four goals to one. We all thought after that game that fears of relegation were over. Alas, it was not to be.

Our team that night was: Hicks; Dawson, Trollope; Smart, McPherson, Atherton; Summerbee, Hunt, Brown, Atkins, Rogers.

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GOALKEEPERS

WILLIAM GLAZIER

Height: 6ft. Weight: 13st. 3½lbs. Born Nottingham. Transferred to Coventry City from Crystal Palace on December 16th 1964, for a then record fee of £35,000 for a goalkeeper. He gained England Under 23 caps in the 1964-65 season before having the misfortune to break a leg at Easter, 1965. He resumed playing again in January 1966, and has since become one of the safest and most fearless goalkeepers in the First Division. He missed only two first team games last season.

FULL BACKS

DIETMAR BRUCK

Height: 5ft. 8ins. Weight: 11st. 6lbs. Although born in Danzig, Germany he moved to Coventry at an early age. Joined City straight from school after a successful season with Coventry Schoolboys. He quickly made the grade and won a full England Youth Cap. He made his debut at inside left against Swindon on April 28th, 1961 but has since turned out to be an accomplished and stylish full back. He made 33 first team appearances last season.

CHRISTOPHER CATTLIN

Height: 5ft. 11ins. Weight: 12st. 5½lbs. Born Milnrow, Lancashire. This fine prospect started his playing career with Burnley as an amateur while he studied to be a draughtsman. He later moved on to Huddersfield Town where he soon became one of the finest full backs in the Second Division. He was signed for Coventry in a beat-the-deadline transfer in March 1968 for a £70,000 fee and subsequently played in 11 first team matches.

MICHAEL COOP

Height: 5ft. 11ins. Weight: 10st. 9½lbs. Born in Leamington Spa. Joined the club from school and captained the Youth side. A strong, solid defender he has also appeared at centre half. He made his debut in the Second Division promotion year of 1966-67 and made 12 first team appearances last season. He is also an exceptionally fine golfer with a handicap of 1.



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MICHAEL KEARNS

Height: 5ft. 11ins. Weight: 12st. 5½lbs. Born Nuneaton. The longest serving player on the books. Since joining the club from local club Stockingford Villa as a part-timer on September 17th 1955, he has played in every Division of the Football League. He made his first team debut in September 1957 against Bournemouth and became a full time professional in 1960 after finishing an engineering apprenticeship. He made 17 first team appearances last season and has now made more than 300 appearances all told.

HALF BACKS

DAVID CLEMENTS

Height: 5ft. 10ins. Weight: 12st. 9½lbs. Born Larne (Northern Ireland). Joined the club in July 1964 from Wolverhampton Wanderers for a small fee. He made his debut against Northampton on January 23rd 1965, scoring the equaliser. He has been capped for Ireland at every level — Schoolboy, Amateur, Under 23 and full Irish team. A strong runner with a good shot in either foot, he is also a very tight marking defender and good tackler. He made 40 first team appearances last season.

GEORGE CURTIS

Height: 5ft. 11ins. Weight: 13st. 8lbs. Born Dover. The Club Captain and second longest serving player. Joined the club from Snowden Colliery Welfare and made his League debut against Newport in April 1956 when he was only 16. Gained four England Youth caps before signing professional forms in May 1956. He made well over 400 League appearances at centre half before having the misfortune to break his leg on August 22nd, 1967 against Nottingham Forest. Last season he played in only 150 minutes of First Division football but is now fit and raring to go again.

MAURICE SETTERS

Height: 5ft. 10ins. Weight 13st. Born Honiton, Devon. Joined Exeter City as a schoolboy before being transferred to West Bromwich Albion. He spent five years with Albion where he was renowned as a fearless, strong-tackling wing half. He won 23 England Under-23 caps and was included in the England World Cup party in Sweden in 1958. He moved to Manchester United where he won an F.A. Cup winner's medal against Leicester in 1963. Then he moved on again to Stoke City before being signed by Coventry City for a bargain fee of £25,000 in November 1967.

OUR VISITORS—continued

BRIAN HILL

Height: 5ft. 9½ins. Weight: 12st. Born Bedworth. He was originally spotted playing for Nuneaton Schoolboys. He turned professional in 1958 after a spell on the groundstaff. Scored a goal on his debut appearance against Gillingham on April 30th, 1958.

TREVOR GOULD

Height: 5ft. 9½ins. Weight: 11st. 6lbs. Born Coventry and was signed as an apprentice professional upon leaving school. Last season he won three full England Youth Caps, was signed full time professional and made his debut in the Football Combination side. He is the brother of Bobby Gould who was transferred to Arsenal in January for a club record fee of £90,000.

PATRICK MORRISSEY

Height: 5ft. 8ins. Weight: 11st. 4lb. Born Enniscorthy, Eire. Joined City as an apprentice professional in July 1963. Played for Coventry Boys for two years. Signed full time forms in June 1965. A rugged skilfull player he has been capped for Eire's Under 23 side. He made 6 first team appearances last term.

ERNEST MACHIN

Height: 5ft. 8½ins. Weight: 11st. 0½lbs. Born Bolton. He played for Farnworth (Lancashire) Boys and was signed professional by City on his 17th birthday. A strong hard running player he has been successfully converted from inside forward into an intelligent forceful wing half. He has made nearly 150 first team appearances and missed only two games last term through injury. He was made team captain after the unfortunate injury to George Curtis.

FORWARDS

WILLIAM (WILLIE) CARR

Height: 5ft. 6½ins. Weight: 10st. 1½lbs. Born Glasgow. Joined Coventry City in April 1965 as an apprentice professional from Cambridge Schools. A Scottish Youth international. Signed full time professional forms in July 1967. One of the most exciting young footballers to emerge in the First Division last season and already in the running for a Scottish Under 23 cap. Still only 18 years of age he made 20 first team appearances last season.

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IAN GIBSON

Height: 5ft. 5½ins. Weight: 11st. Born Newton Stewart, Scotland. He began his career in League football when he was only 15 with Accrington. The following year he signed for Bradford City and later moved to Middlesbrough for a fee of £20,000. Signed for Coventry City in July 1966 for a then record fee of £57,000. A former Scottish Under-23 cap. This outstanding ball player was plagued by injuries last season and made only 14 first team appearances but is now fully fit again.

ERNEST (ERNIE) HANNIGAN

Height: 5ft. 9ins. Weight: 12st. Born Glasgow. His career started with Scottish junior side St. Roch's and he then moved on to Queen of the South. He spent three seasons with the Scottish side before being transferred to Preston North End. In three seasons with Preston he scored over 30 goals. Signed for Coventry City for £60,000 in November 1967. An orthodox winger who in 23 games last season scored 5 goals.

ERNEST (ERNIE) HUNT

Height: 5ft. 7ins. Weight: 12st. 2½lbs. Born Swindon. First came to light with Swindon Town. A fine ball player with a goalscoring knack. He left Swindon for Wolverhampton Wanderers for a £40,000 fee and helped the Midland club to gain promotion to the First Division in 1966-67 by scoring 20 goals. Transferred to Everton in September 1967 but joined Coventry City in March 1968 for a £60,000 fee—thus having the unique record of playing for 3 First Division clubs in one season.

TREVOR SHEPHERD

Height: 5ft. 7ins. Weight: 11st. 2lbs. Born Sutton-in-Ashfield (Notts). Joined Coventry City from Nottingham Forest on a month's trial and eventually signed as full time professional. He was loaned to Torquay United last season for a period but is now back at Highfield Road.

JOHN TUDOR

Height: 5ft. 10½ins. Weight: 12st. 6lbs. Born Ilkeston, Derbyshire. Joined Coventry City from his home town club of Ilkeston after trying for some seasons to break into big time football in January 1966. He justified the club's belief in him and was in the first team within seven months. Last season he successfully made the switch from the forward line to the half backs and made 34 first team appearances.

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Change of name to Coventry City — August 12, 1898.

Became a limited liability company in 1907.

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Admitted to the Football League in 1919.

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August 13	Torquay United (League Cup)		14,702 (H)	2-1
17	Stockport County		13,350 (H)	1-0
24	Hartlepool		5,732 (A)	0-0
27	Reading		16,765 (H)	0-0
31	Plymouth Argyle		12,302 (H)	3-0
September 4	Bradford City (League Cup)		7,806 (A)	1-1
7	Watford		8,709 (A)	0-0
10	Bradford City (League Cup)		12,214 (H)	4-3
14	Walsall		10,593 (H)	1-0
18	Bournemouth & Boscombe Athletic		(A)	0-2
21	Bristol Rovers		(A)	1-2
24	Blackburn Rovers (League Cup)		15,402 (H)	1-0
28	Shrewsbury Town		12,087 (H)	3-0
October 5	Orient		12,450 (H)	1-0
9	Reading		17,450 (A)	1-0
12	Brighton & Hove Albion		(A)	3-1
19	Torquay United		(H)	
22	Northampton Town		(A)	
26	Oldham Athletic		(A)	
November 2	Southport		(H)	
5	Tranmere Rovers		(H)	
9	Luton Town		(A)	
16	(1) F.A. Cup			
23	Mansfield Town		(A)	
30	Barrow		(H)	
December 7	(2) F.A. Cup			
14	Brighton & Hove Albion		(H)	
18	Torquay United		(A)	
26	Orient		(A)	
28	Oldham Athletic		(H)	
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January 4	(3) Gillingham		(H)	
11	Southport		(A)	
18	Luton Town		(H)	
24	Tranmere Rovers		(A)	
25	(4)			
February 1	Barnsley		(A)	
8	(5) Mansfield Town		(H)	
15	Barrow		(A)	
22	Rotherham United		(H)	
March 1	(6) Northampton Town		(H)	
5	Gillingham		(A)	
8	Stockport County		(A)	
11	Barnsley		(H)	
15	Hartlepool		(H)	
18	Rotherham United		(A)	
22	(S.F.) Plymouth Argyle		(A)	
29	Watford		(H)	
April 4	Crewe Alexandra		(A)	
5	Shrewsbury Town		(A)	
8	Bournemouth & Boscombe Athletic		(H)	
12	Bristol Rovers		(H)	
15	Crewe Alexandra		(A)	
19	Walsall		(A)	

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Torquay United	14	8	2	4	24	14	18
Barrow	13	8	2	3	22	15	18
Swindon Town	12	7	3	2	14	5	17
Bournemouth & B.A.	13	8	1	4	21	10	17
Watford	13	6	4	3	13	8	16
Rotherham United	13	6	4	3	19	15	16
Tranmere Rovers	14	7	2	5	19	19	16
Stockport County	13	5	5	3	19	15	15
Plymouth Argyle	14	6	3	5	18	16	15
Reading	13	5	4	4	24	18	14
Mansfield Town	13	5	3	5	21	19	13
Northampton Town	11	4	4	3	11	10	12
Barnsley	14	3	6	5	17	20	12
Brighton & H. A.	13	4	4	5	19	23	12
Walsall	14	2	7	5	13	15	11
Southport	13	5	1	7	18	24	11
Bristol Rovers	13	4	3	6	19	26	11
Orient	11	2	6	3	14	16	10
Shrewsbury Town	13	3	4	6	12	19	10
Gillingham	13	3	3	7	17	20	9
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Those Swindon Supporters who were fortunate enough to be able to go to Coventry will agree with me that they saw a memorable match. We all pay tribute to the team—and despite what any newspaper sports writer saw fit to say, TEAM is the right word to use — for the way in which they matched, and finally bested, a team which, on paper and the balance sheet, should have been able to impress on the spectators the difference between a First and a Third Division Club.

In one respect they did — in those last vital five minutes. This was a lesson which must not go unlearned — that a match is not lost until the final whistle. Full marks to Coventry City for keeping the pressure up to the very last kick. Tonight, we welcome Coventry City team and Supporters to the County Ground. Tonight, the Swindon supporters will have an opportunity, once again, to get right behind the lads, with the kind of vocal roar they can produce. You can take my word for it that it makes one heck of a difference to the players. And, once again, if you, the Supporters expect them to play to the last kick, then you must also be prepared to shout to the last kick. This is what the Coventry supporters did last Wednesday evening.

The away draw in the next round will be against either Everton or Derby. Either Club will present opposition of no mean standard. Naturally, Derby would be popular with supporters, as the distance is not so great, which will allow more support for the team.

Congratulations to Rod Thomas on his selection for Wales once again. He is well worthy of the honour.

The extension to the Social Club is almost finished, and, shortly, our red and white mobile shop will be pensioned off

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SWINDON TOWN F.C. SUPPORTERS' CLUB

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

**Wednesday, 23rd October, at the
Supporters' Social Club, County Ground, Swindon**

Time: 7.30 p.m.

Admission: strictly by current Supporters' Club membership card only (including Social Club members)

Mr. J. E. SUTTON, President, will preside

The Club will be opened at 6.30 p.m.

**Special note: The door will be closed at 7.30 p.m.,
and will remain closed until the Meeting ends**

The bar will be closed during the Meeting

SWINDON TOWN F.C. SUPPORTERS' SOCIAL CLUB

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

**Monday, 28th October, 1968, at 7.30 p.m. sharp
in the Supporters' Social Club, County Ground, Swindon**

Admission: strictly by production of current Social Club membership card

Mr. J. E. SUTTON, President, will preside

The Club will open at 6.30 p.m.

**The bar will be closed for the duration of the Meeting
The doors will be closed at 7.30 p.m. promptly, and remain closed until the Meeting ends**

Nomination forms, for election of the Management Committee may be obtained at the Social Club, from the Club Steward

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THE FOOTBALL LEAGUE SAYS:

If people are allowed to break the minor and apparently insignificant rules, they may adopt a similar attitude to the important rules resulting in chaos and anarchy, The Football League explains in the editorial of the latest issue of the Football League Review.

The editorial replies to those who have criticised The League for strictly enforcing the rule that goalkeepers wear the same colour shorts and socks as the rest of their team.

One assistant First Division manager was quoted as saying, "It beats me why they waste their time on stupid rules such as this".

The crux of the matter, say The League, is that the Management Committee have to administer the rules passed by the clubs themselves and cannot indulge in degrees of interpretation.

"If people were allowed to break what the assistant manager describes as 'stupid rules' they would quickly adopt a similar attitude to the big and important ones . . . resulting in anarchy and chaos which The League, through firm administration, has avoided throughout its 80 years".

If the clubs consider a rule to be 'stupid' . . . they will change it.

While The League reacts quickly to small infringements, the more basic problems are being even more diligently pursued, says the editorial.

The purpose of clubs registering their colours with The League is to enable the public to identify the strips, and to ensure that teams turn out in uniform fashion.

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LAST WEEKS MATCHES

FOOTBALL LEAGUE CUP FOURTH ROUND

Wednesday, 16th October, 1968.

Drew with COVENTRY CITY (Away) 2—2.

Team: Downsborough; Dawson, Thomas; Butler, Burrows, Harland; Heath,
Smart, Smith, Noble, Rogers.

Scorers: Rogers, Smart.

Attendance: 23,588

Referee: Mr. R. Paine (Hounslow).

FOOTBALL COMBINATION

Tuesday, 15th October, 1968.

Lost to BRISTOL CITY (Away) 3—1.

Team: Jones; Allen, Fry; Handrick, Blick, Morgan; Mascia, Desmeules,
Jones, McAteer, Hubbard. Sub. Dangerfield.

Referee: Mr. N. G. Root (Abingdon).

HELLENIC LEAGUE

Saturday, 12th October, 1968.

Lost to WALLINGFORD (Home) 6—1.

Team: Lavery; Gleed, Morris; Mason, Claypole, Dudden; Aldworth, Eeles,
Stroud, Davies, Oxborrow. Sub. Jennings.

Scorer: Jennings.



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