

AYRESOME PARK, MIDDLESBROUGH

FOOTBALL LEAGUE - DIVISION II



**MIDDLESBROUGH**

v

**SWINDON TOWN**

SATURDAY, MARCH 6th, 1971

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Official Programme

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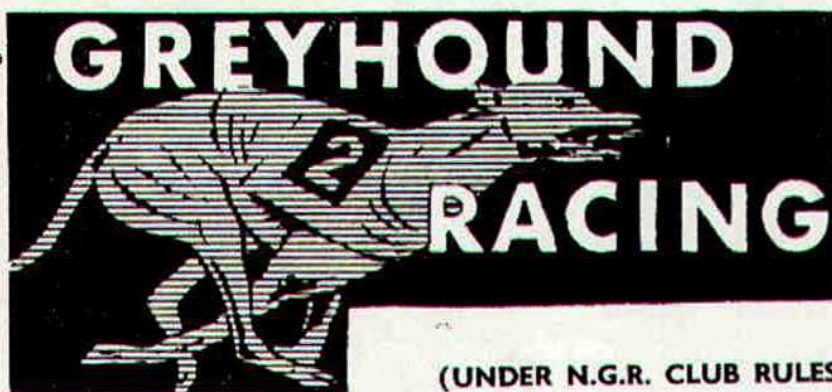
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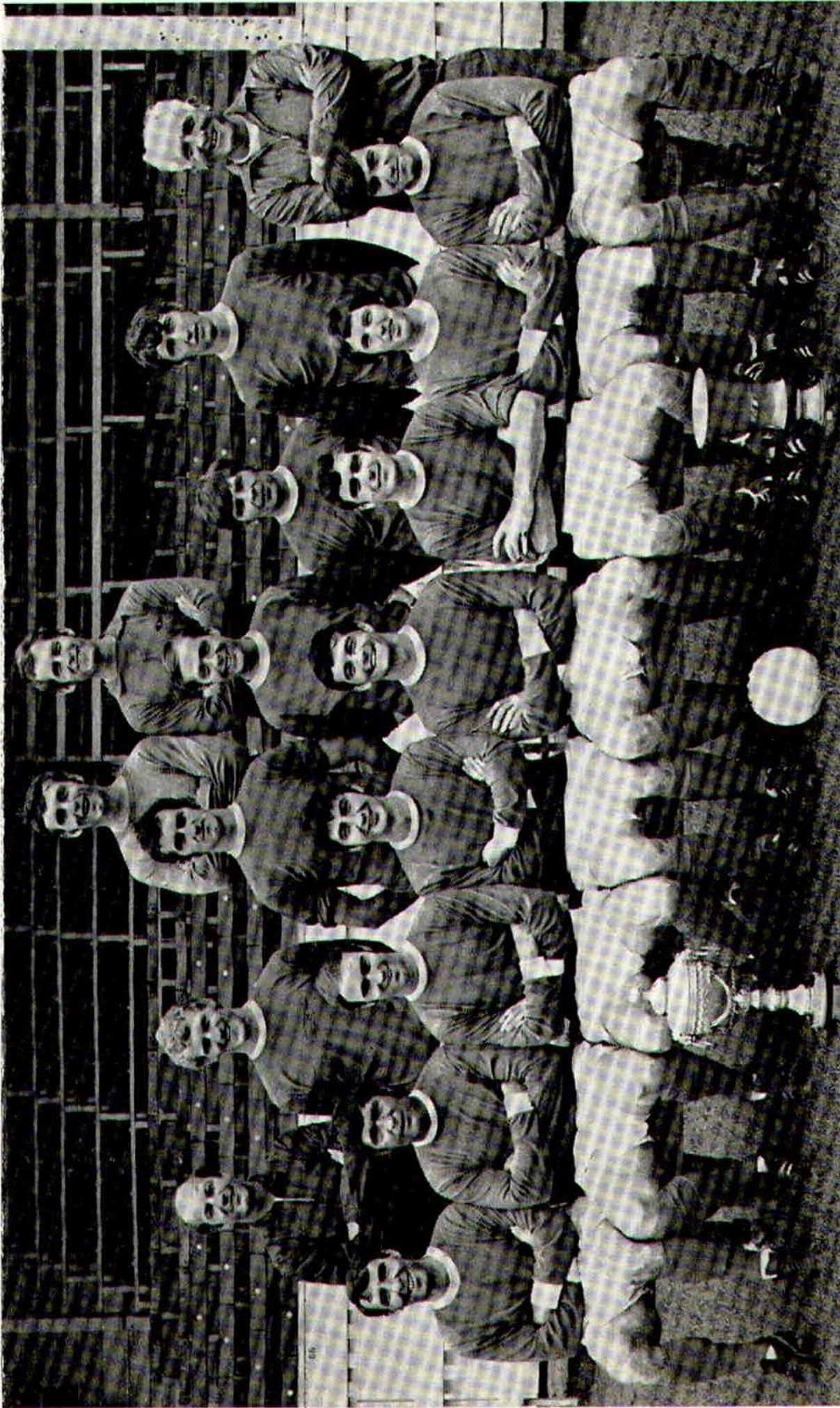
Knowing the Swindon of today, it is hard to realise that in Season 1956/7 they were a really struggling Club, having to apply for re-election to Division III (South) of the League for the third time. Since then they have gone from strength to strength having won the League Cup in 1969 beating 1st Division opponents Arsenal, by three goals to one. They were the winners of the first Anglo-Italian Inter League Competition last year, defeating Napoli. The Boro were narrowly pushed out of this final on goal average.

We would like to draw your attention to the details given under "Club Announcements" of the two dates on which the Semi-Finals and Final of the Ayresome Park Cup are being played at this Ground. This Competition was inaugurated to coincide with the formation of the new Teesside area, and is for teams included in the Teesside Schools Football Association. The first winners were Middlesbrough, who beat Eston & Redcar in 1968, and on the two following successive years Stockton & Billingham have beaten Middlesbrough. The Trophy for this Competition was donated by the Directors of Middlesbrough Football Club.

Another match of local interest is the appearance of our Reserves in the Semi-Final of the North Riding Senior Cup. We have been drawn against South Bank F.C. at Ayresome Park, and the match will be played as soon as we can mutually agree on a date. Further announcement later.



SWINDON TOWN — 1970/71



Back Row (left to right): Peter Downsborough, Roy Jones, Middle Row: M. Owen (Trainer), N. J. Trollope, F. Burrows, O. Dawson, J. Butler, R. Thomas, F. Ford (Manager),  
Front Row: A. Gough, J. Smith, P. Noble, A. Horsfield, S. Harland, R. Smart, D. Dangerfield, D. Rogers.



# Featuring . . . SWINDON TOWN

by Tony Pullein

If Swindon had managed to pick up just a few more away points they would now be one of the strongest promotion challengers and, even allowing for this disappointing away form, they still have an outside chance of going up.

This afternoon we hope to see two of the Second Division's top marksmen in action. Our own John Hickton has a slightly superior record to Swindon's Don Rogers, the former England under-23 star, who has scored 19 goals this season. Don has now played more than 350 games for his only club, his greatest performance coming at Wembley in 1969 when his two goals beat Arsenal in the League Cup final.

Supporting Rogers in his quest for goals is former Middlesbrough favourite Arthur Horsfield who has been on target 13 times this term. We spotted Arthur in Newcastle junior soccer and gave him his chance in the League team in 1963/64. He started a short stay at Newcastle in January 1969, moving to Swindon only four months later. Last season he was their top scorer with 22.

Another North-East native, Peter Noble, started with Newcastle and cost Swindon £10,000 in January 1968. Last season he bagged hat-tricks in successive games against Charlton (League) and Swansea (League Cup) and his tally of 13 this season includes another hat-trick, against Bolton, last month.

Roger Smart is a product of Swindon schools football who got his first taste of League football in 1961/62. Former England youth and under-23 cap John Smith kicked off with West Ham as a wing-half. He moved to Tottenham and Coventry, then had short spells with Orient and Torquay before linking with Swindon in 1968.

Swindon spotted Chris Porter for Western League Bridgwater, signed him as a professional in November 1969 and gave him his League debut against Norwich last October.

Goalkeeper Peter Downsborough was still an amateur when introduced to League football with Halifax Town. He turned professional in 1960 and joined Swindon for a nominal £3,000 fee five years later. Rod Thomas is the only player in post-war soccer to win his first seven full caps while playing in Third Division football. He helped Swindon back into the Second Division in 1969 and now has 12 Welsh caps.

Another Swindon discovery, John Trollope, made his League debut in 1960 and remained in the side for an incredible run of 360 consecutive League games, the sequence ending when he broke an arm at Hartlepool in 1968. He returned as soon as he was fit again and was ever-present again last season.

Frank Burrows left Raith Rovers to try his luck in English football with Scunthorpe in 1965. In his last two campaigns, before joining Swindon in 1968, he missed only five League games and he has continued to perform consistently well since his move. Joe Butler entered League football with Newcastle in 1963/64 but was not fortunate enough to get many chances in their first-team so he joined Swindon in 1965. He was originally a full-back but has switched, with considerable success, to wing-half.

Stan Harland was an amateur at Burnley, turned pro with New Brighton then had a go with Everton — but he didn't make the League side. Bradford City gave him his League debut, then he spent two seasons at Carlisle before joining Swindon four years ago.



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## LEAGUE — DIVISION II

(Up to and including 2nd March, 1971)

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Sheff. U. ....	30	15	9	6	50	33	39
Cardiff .....	29	14	10	5	49	25	38
Leicester ...	29	15	8	6	44	26	38
Carlisle .....	30	14	10	6	47	30	38
Hull C. ....	30	14	10	6	41	27	38
Luton T. ...	28	14	9	5	41	19	37
<b>M'brough ...</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>36</b>
Swindon .....	30	12	8	10	44	31	32
Birmingham .	30	12	8	10	44	38	32
Norwich .....	30	10	12	8	37	38	32
Millwall .....	30	11	7	12	39	36	29
Sunderland ..	30	11	7	12	37	40	29
Sheff. W. ...	31	12	9	12	40	53	29
Q.P.R. ....	28	9	8	11	38	40	26
Oxford .....	28	10	6	12	29	38	26
Watford .....	30	8	10	12	30	42	26
Orient .....	28	6	13	9	21	34	25
Portsmouth ..	28	8	7	13	35	45	23
Blackburn ...	30	5	10	15	27	46	20
Bristol C. ...	29	6	7	16	32	52	19
Bolton .....	31	7	5	19	28	53	19
Charlton .....	29	4	9	16	27	50	17

## APPEARANCES — DIVISION II

League:

Whigham 30, Hickton 30, Laidlaw 29, McIlmoyle 29, Jones 29, Spraggon 25, Gates 26, Maddren 22, Smith 18, Downing 21, McMordie 19, A. Smith 19, Moody 11, Mills 7, Allen 5, Charlton 4, Myton 3, Webb 3.

League Cup:

Whigham 2, Jones 2, G. Smith 2, Maddren 2, Spraggon 2, Downing 2, Laidlaw 2, McIlmoyle 2, Hickton 2, Allen 1, Myton 1, Gates 1, McMordie 1.

F.A. Cup:

Whigham 3, A. Smith 3, Jones 3, Moody 3, Gates 3, Spraggon 3, Downing 3, McMordie 3, McIlmoyle 3, Hickton 3, Laidlaw 3.

Goals:

League:

Maddren 1, Hickton 22, Laidlaw 5, Downing 9, McIlmoyle 9.

League Cup:

Jones 1, Hickton 2, Laidlaw 1, Downing 1, McIlmoyle 1.

F.A. Cup:

Downing 1, McIlmoyle 1.

## NORTHERN INTERMEDIATE LEAGUE

### MATCH DETAILS

**8th December, 1970 v Leeds Utd. (Cup)**  
(Home) Won 1-0

**Team:** Cuff, Creamer, Young, Stone, Stonehouse, Taylor, Hosker, Mills, Brine, Smith, Armstrong. **Sub:** Bickerdike  
**Scorer:** Armstrong.

**12th December, 1970 v Bradford (Away)**  
Won 2-1

**Team:** Platt, Dickinson, Parker, Creamer, Stonehouse, Taylor, Bickerdike, Brine, Stone, Smith, Armstrong. **Sub:** Radigan  
**Scorers:** Stonehouse and Brine.

**16th December, 1970 v Leeds Utd. (Away)**  
Won 2-0

**Team:** Cuff, Creamer, Dickinson, Stone, Stonehouse, Taylor, Hosker, Brine, Smith, Mills, Armstrong. **Sub:** Bickerdike  
**Scorer:** Mills (2).

**9th January, 1971 v Huddersfield T.**  
(Home) Won 7-0

**Team:** Cuff, Dickinson, Young, Parker, Creamer, Taylor, Hosker, Brine, Smith, Stone, Armstrong. **Sub:** Bickerdike  
**Scorer:** Smith (2) Stone (3) Armstrong (2)

**16th January, 1971 v Doncaster R. (Away)**  
Lost 2-1

**Team:** Cuff, Dickinson, Young, Parker, Creamer, Taylor, Hosker, Sykes, Smith,

Stone, Armstrong. **Sub:** Radigan  
**Scorer:** Armstrong (1).

**30th January, 1971 v York City (Away)**  
Won 3-2

**Team:** Cuff, Dickinson, Radigan, Parker, Stone, Taylor, Hosker, Sykes, Smith, Bickerdike, Armstrong. **Sub:** Hutchinson  
**Scorers:** Stone, Hosker and Smith

**6th February, 1971 v Chesterfield (Home)**  
Draw 0-0

**Team:** Cuff, Creamer, Young, Parker, Stone, Taylor, Hosker, Brine, Smith, Dickinson, Armstrong. **Sub:** Bickerdike.

**13th February, 1971 v Rotherham Utd.**  
(Away) Won 2-0

**Team:** Cuff, Shepherd, Day, Parker, Creamer, Taylor, Hosker, Bickerdike, Smith, Sykes, Armstrong. **Sub:** Wilson.  
**Scorers:** Hosker and Smith.

**16th February, 1971 v Newcastle Utd.**  
(Home) Won 3-2

**Team:** Cuff, Parker, Dickinson, Taylor, Creamer, Stone, Hosker, Mills, Smith, Brine, Armstrong. **Sub:** Bickerdike.  
**Scorers:** Mills and Smith

**20th February, 1971 v Bradford C. (Home)**  
Won 1-0

**Team:** Cuff, Creamer, Parker, Taylor, Stonehouse, Sykes, Hosker, Bickerdike, Smith, Radigan, Armstrong. **Sub:** Young  
**Scorer:** Armstrong



# TODAY'S TEAMS

## MIDDLESBROUGH

Colours:

Red shirts. Red shorts with white stripe down side. Red stockings.

- 1—Willie WHIGHAM
- 2—Alec SMITH
- 3—Gordon JONES
- 4—Alan MOODY
- 5—Bill GATES
- 6—Willie MADDREN
- 7—Derrick DOWNING
- 8—Eric McMORDIE
- 9—Hugh McILMOYLE
- 10—John HICKTON
- 11—Joe LAIDLAW

Substitute

David MILLS

## SWINDON TOWN

Colours:

Shirts: Blue

Shorts: Blue Stockings: Blue

- 1—Peter DOWNSBOROUGH
- 2—Rod THOMAS
- 3—John TROLLOPE
- 4—Joe BUTLER
- 5—Frank BURROWS
- 6—Stan HARLAND
- 7—Chris PORTER
- 8—Roger SMART
- 9—Arthur HORSFIELD
- 10—Peter NOBLE
- 11—Don ROGERS

Substitute

Tony GOUGH

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# TODAY'S OFFICIALS

Referee:

**C. I. ROBINSON**  
(Manchester)

Linesman (Red Flag):

**R. H. D. TINDALL**  
(Huddersfield)

Linesman (Yellow Flag):

**A. J. COTTAM**  
(Padiham)

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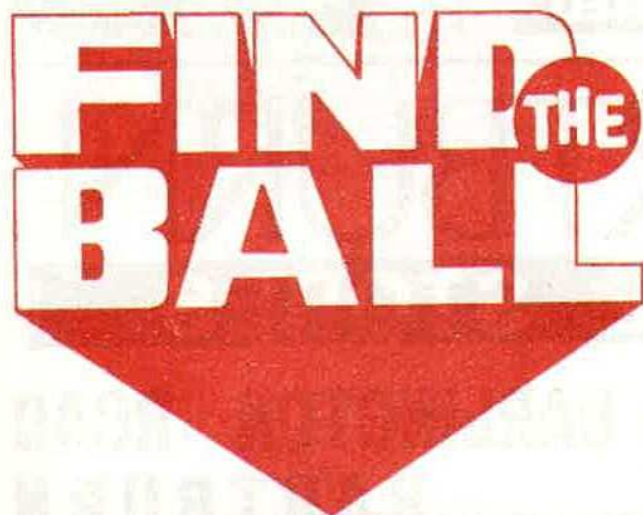
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### Teams:

**Middlesbrough:** Short, Smith A., Jones, Smith G., Gates, Spraggon, Lugg, McMordie, Webb, Hickton, Downing. Sub: Mills.

**Swindon:** Downsborough, Thomas, Trollope, Butler, Burrows, Harland, Smith, Horsfield, Smart, Noble, Rogers.

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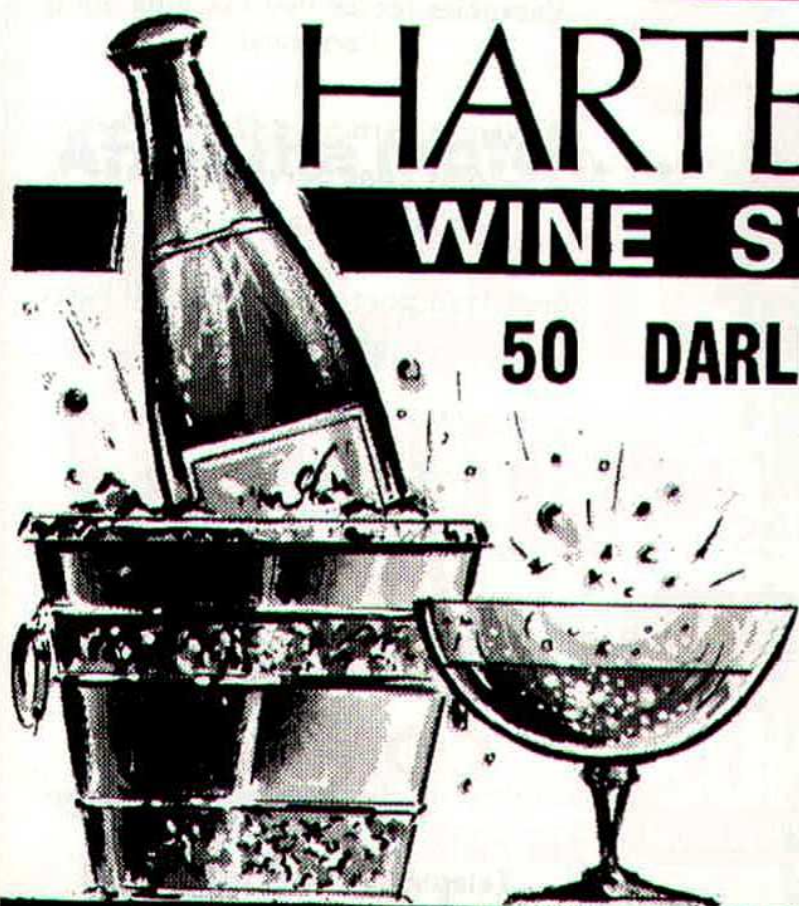
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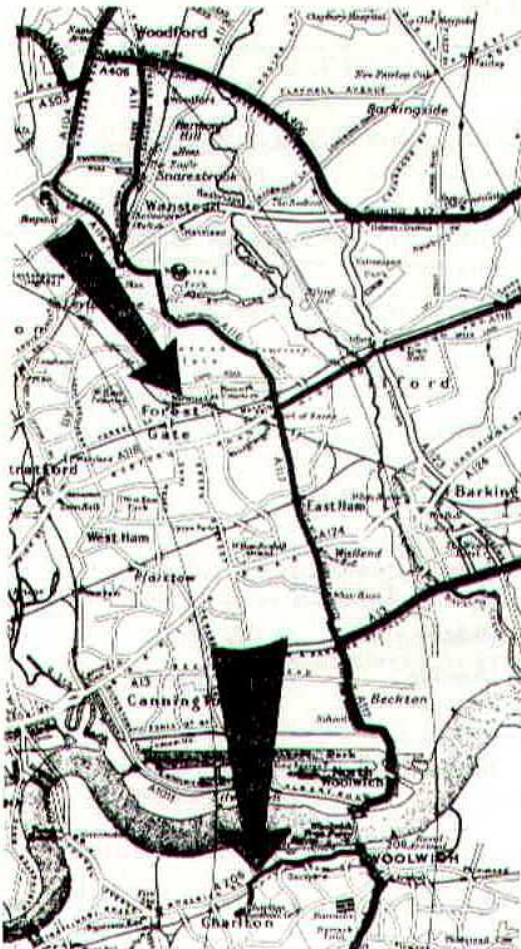
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**IVAN ROBINSON, TYLDESLEY, Nr. MANCHESTER.**

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Married, with two daughters, Mr. Robinson is employed as a Transport Manager.

Interests and hobbies include Motoring, golf, sport in general and football in particular. Is vice-President of local Referees Association and has refereed throughout the Far East during Army service.



# MIDDLESBROUGH F.C. 1970/71

## FIXTURES AND RESULTS

1970		Opponents	Venue	Att.	Result	Scorers
Aug.	15	(S) Carlisle United	Home	21,228	2-1	Laidlaw, Hickton
	22	(S) Hull City	Away	20,929	0-1	
	29	(S) Oxford United	Home	17,548	0-2	
Sept.	1	(Tu) Birmingham City	Away	27,769	1-0	Hickton
	5	(S) Luton Town	Away	16,018	0-1	
	8	(Tu) Oldham (L.C.2)	Away	9,539	4-2	Laidlaw, McIlmoyle, Downing, Hickton
	12	(S) Blackburn Rovers	Home	15,083	1-1	McIlmoyle
	19	(S) Sheffield United	Away	19,780	1-1	Hickton
	26	(S) Queens P.R.	Home	16,788	6-2	Hickton (3), McIlmoyle (2), Downing
	30	(W) Leicester City	Away	26,279	2-3	Hickton (2)
Oct.	3	(S) Cardiff City	Away	21,072	4-3	Hickton, McIlmoyle, Laidlaw, Maddren
	7	(W) Chelsea (LC-3)	Away	28,597	2-3	Hickton, Jones
	10	(S) Portsmouth	Home	18,775	3-2	McIlmoyle (2), Hickton
	17	(S) Carlisle United	Away	15,983	0-1	
	20	(Tu) Bristol City	Home	16,651	1-0	Hickton
	24	(S) Swindon Town	Away	15,219	0-3	
	31	(S) Watford	Home	16,018	2-2	Laidlaw, Downing
Nov.	7	(S) Orient	Away	6,690	0-0	
	14	(S) Charlton Ath.	Home	14,247	3-0	Hickton, Downing, McIlmoyle
	21	(S) Sheffield Wed.	Away	15,421	2-3	Downing, McIlmoyle
	28	(S) Millwall	Home	13,036	1-0	Hickton
Dec.	5	(S) Norwich City	Away	13,073	1-1	Downing
	12	(S) Bolton W.	Home	12,873	1-0	Hickton
	19	(S) Hull City	Home	17,957	1-0	Hickton
	26	(S) Sunderland	Away	42,617	2-2	Hickton (2)
<b>1971</b>						
Jan.	2	(S) Manchester Utd. (FA Cup-3)	Away	47,024	0-0	
	5	(Tu) Manchester Utd. (FA Cup-3 replay)	Home	41,000	2-1	McIlmoyle, Downing
	9	(S) Leicester City	Home	30,682	1-0	Hickton
	16	(S) Bristol City	Away	10,554	2-0	Hickton, Downing
	23	(S) Everton (FAC4)	Away	54,875	0-3	
	30	(S) Millwall	Away	10,180	0-1	
Feb.	6	(S) Norwich City	Home	19,106	5-0	Hickton (2), Downing, McIlmoyle, Laidlaw
	13	(S) Bolton W. (5)	Away	9,570	3-0	Downing 2, Laidlaw
	20	(S) Sheffield Wed.	Home	25,916	1-0	Hickton
	26	(F) Watford	Away	14,112	0-1	
	27	(S) League Cup Final				
Mar.	6	(S) Swindon T. (6)	Home			
	13	(S) Charlton Ath.	Away			
	20	(S) Orient	Home			
	27	(S) Luton T. (S-F)	Home			
Apr.	3	(S) Oxford United	Away			
	9	(F) Blackburn Rovers	Away			
	10	(S) Sunderland	Home			
	13	(Tu) Cardiff City	Home			
	17	(S) Portsmouth	Away			
	24	(S) Sheffield United	Home			
	27	(Tu) Birmingham City	Home			
May	1	(S) Queens P.R.	Away			
	8	(S) F.A. CUP FINAL				



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F	CHELSEA v BLACKPOOL	M	BIRMINGHAM v WATFORD

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## SECOND SHOW

a	BRISTOL C. v BOLTON	g	PORTSMOUTH v Q.P.R.
b	CARDIFF v CARLISLE	h	BARNSLEY v ROCHDALE
c	LUTON v CHARLTON	j	HALIFAX v FULHAM
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NORTH MIDLANDS LEAGUE

MIDDLESBROUGH v CHESTERFIELD

SATURDAY, 20th MARCH, 1971

Kick-off 3.0 p.m.

FOOTBALL LEAGUE — DIVISION II

MIDDLESBROUGH v ORIENT

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## AYRESOME PARK CUP COMPETITION

We would like to draw your attention to two dates on which the Semi-Finals and Final of the Ayresome Park Cup are being played. They are as follows:

TUESDAY, 16th MARCH, 1971

Commencing 6.15 p.m.

### TWO SEMI-FINALS

Middlesbrough v North Riding

Eston & Redcar v Stockton & Billingham

WEDNESDAY, 24th MARCH, 1971

Commencing 7.15 p.m.

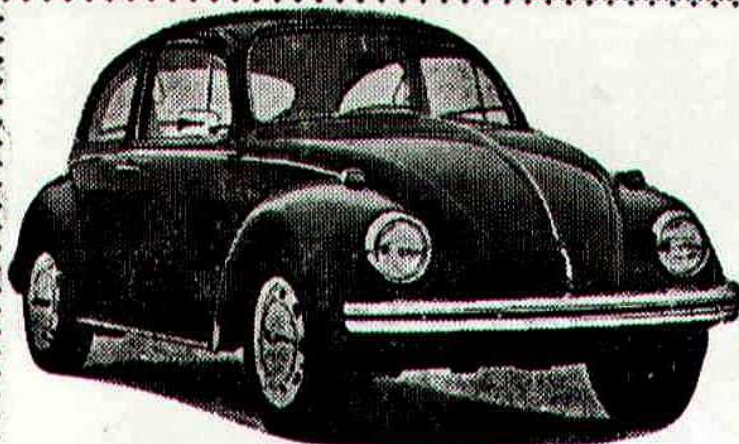
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