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FOOTBALL LEAGUE CUP—SECOND ROUND

MILLWALL v. FOREST

at The Den, Cold Blow Lane, New Cross, London

The fates have decreed that we shall be making our second Cup visit to The Den in three seasons, although the last occasion was on F.A. Cup duty. The match will be on WEDNESDAY, 10th OCTOBER, kick-off 7.30 p.m.

We shall be having some stand tickets (price £1) for those who prefer to sit, but stand or sit we hope we shall have some strong support to encourage our lads to a revenge victory.

If we have to settle for a replay, we shall be hosts to Millwall on the following TUESDAY, 16th OCTOBER, again at 7.30 p.m., but more details of that later. In the meantime, how about helping us to tame the Lions in their Den but, if you cannot behave yourself, don't bother coming we want to be able to come back to Nottingham leaving a good impression of Forest and our supporters.

FOLLOW FOREST



BOLTON WANDERERS v. FOREST—Saturday, 29th September

NOTTINGHAM—A610 to the M1 Motorway Intersection on the Nuthall by-pass (5 miles).

M1 North for 16 miles to Intersection (29) Chesterfield A617 (21 miles). A617 to Chesterfield then the A619 to Baslow. Turn right along the A623 and continue through Calver to Chapel-en-le-Frith (45 miles).

A6 via Whaley Bridge and Hazelgrove to Stockport. A560 through Cheadle Heath to Cheadle. B5065 to Didsbury, cross Kingsway and continue along the A34 for 1 mile to the junction with the B5217. Turn left along the B5217 to Chorlton-cum-Hardy. Turn left along the B5215 to Stretford, turning left along the A56 to the M63 Motorway (70 miles).

M63 North for 6 miles to Intersection (13) Bolton, Preston, Leeds M62 (76 miles).

M62 North for 2 miles to Intersection (14) Preston M61, Bolton A666 (78 miles).

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SWINDON TOWN v. FOREST—Tuesday, 2nd October

NOTTINGHAM—A648 through Clifton to the M1 Motorway Intersection at Lockington (11 miles).

M1 South for 30 miles to Intersection (20) Market Harborough A4114, Rugby A427 (41 miles).

Follow signs "Rugby, Coventry" along the A427 and ¼ mile on at traffic lights, turn left along the A426 through Rugby and Dunchurch to Southam (59 miles).

A423 via Ladbroke and Mollington to Banbury. A361 through Chipping Norton and Burford to Swindon, entering by Drakes Way. Turn right along County Road to—

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CITY GROUND TALKING POINT COLUMN

I think most decent-minded people are absolutely sickened by the antics of the hooligans who roam the vicinity of football grounds under the guise of supporters of football. It must have horrified most people to see the much-publicised pictures of the wrecked compartments of the Oxford-bound train from Hereford.

After our first away match of the season I received a 'phone call from the manager of the "Blue Boar" restaurant at the Watford Gap service area, who informed me that a Trent Bus-load of our followers, not supporters may I add, descended on the place on their way back from Oxford and caused such confusion that the police were called in to clear them out.

Ordinary decent people hurriedly left the place, no doubt thinking that Nottingham Forest F.C. must have the crudest set of supporters in the country, and who can blame them! The police shepherded the ruffians onto the coach and got them on their way.

Now who is to blame for such occurrences?

What about the police? There were no arrests so they either found no-one disturbing the peace, or causing any damage, or was it that they just did not want to know and were happy to get the troublemakers off their particular cabbage patch.

What about the Bus Company? Have they no control over who they take, and remember this kind of behaviour has been going on for years. I suppose that as advertised service 'buses they must accept anyone who tenders the fare.

What about the genuine supporters? I know it's a brave individual who will face a rampaging mob but I saw two louts immediately slung out of the stand at Walsall by seat-holders who didn't want to be



by KEN SMALES

disturbed and who must have had some thought for the well-being of their club.

And what about the clubs—what can they do? One of our season ticket holders, from Loscoe in Derbyshire, has written to me and suggested that an identity/pass card method of control might be introduced and I re-print this suggestion for your comments.

Entrance to ground by access card only to be purchased in the close soccer season.

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The access card scheme not to apply to persons wanting to purchase a seat in the stand, e.g. a season ticket holder.

Let us look at its good points and its snags and see if it's a worthwhile proposition. I will refrain from commenting now and wait until I hear from you and will discuss this in our next issue and consider whether the difficulties outweigh the advantages.

All I will say now is that things will have come to a pretty pass if everyone who wants to see a football match has to establish his identity!

On a more pleasant note, our team produced another good performance against an all-action Hull City side. One example of the spirit now being shown by us was our persistence in competing for the ball which finally broke our way after three tackles, for Miah Dennehy to cross only for George Lyall to narrowly head wide. No longer are defences being allowed time to clear the ball at leisure, and all credit should be given to our front players who are now prepared to challenge for every ball. What a wholehearted performance Peter Hindley gave playing in an unaccustomed position in front of the back four.

AROUND^AN^DABOUT

Our congratulations to the South Notts. Schools F.A. on reaching the quarter-finals of the English Schools trophy. A pleasant end of season dinner was held in the Guest room at the City Ground when the Association marked the occasion by entertaining the boys and awarding mementoes to the players and team manager. Guests included representatives of Notts. County and ourselves and we were pleased to show the film of that famous European Cup Final at Hampden Park between Real Madrid and Eintracht Frankfurt.

The decision of the F.A. Council to alter the qualification date for Youth players from 1st September to 1st August has brought them into line with International Youth regulations. This was doubly welcome from our point of view because both Peter Wells and Bobby Heddon can now play for two more years in the F.A. Youth Cup as both have August birthdays.

Anniversaries today—18th September...

1957—We scored a runaway 7-0 victory over Burnley in our 4th home game, on our return to the First Division scene, with the goals coming from Gray, Barrett, Imlach (2), Wilson (2), and Baily. A crowd of 26,692 watched the game on a bright summer's evening and our team was: Thomson; Whare, Thomas; Morley, McKinlay, Burkitt; Gray, Barrett, Wilson, Baily, Imlach.

Dave Mackay was delighted with the size of our following at the Hawthorns on Saturday. They proved a great booster for the team and no doubt returned home feeling well rewarded with our three magnificent goals. Keep it going lads, both home and away. Incidentally what a brave man Peter Hindley is. He continued to head balls in spite of a bad gash which subsequently required four stitches in his head.

Four of our young players, Viv Anderson, Peter Wells, Tony Woodcock and Lee Young have been invited to attend England F.A. Youth trials at Lilleshall later this month.

NOTTINGHAM
FOREST F.C.

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TO FORE STREET, NEWQUAY

We have all seen the work of the aerosol paint sprayers around the grounds up and down the country but this is ridiculous! The Newquay highways department are now getting in on the act for a keen Forest supporter spotted this free advertisement for the club during his holidays.

With reference to our comments in the "Review" for the game against Sheffield Wednesday, Duncan McKenzie succeeded with his third attempt, and with a slight breeze in his favour, to throw a golf ball from the Bridgford End cinder track to the Trent End cinder track. Horse riding, snooker player, darts champion, cricketer, footballer, and golf ball thrower extraordinary—is there no limit to this lad's all-round prowess?

We managed to out-pull Notts. County in the tug-of-war challenge match at Wollaton Park last Sunday by 2-1. The clubs were represented by:

FOREST: Jimmy McCann, Glyn Saunders, Dave Serella, Viv Anderson, Peter Wells and Garry Dulson (anchor).

NOTTS.: Eric Probert, Kevin Randall, Les Bradd, Bob Worthington, Eric McManus and John Brindley (anchor).

A blanket collection by the two teams raised £50 for "Sparks".

We have about 50 copies of the 1973 Port Wine Trophy brochures which are printed in Portuguese and measure about 9" x 5". The first 50 applicants can have one by sending us a stamped addressed reply envelope big enough to hold the literature. No personal applicants—only postal requests.

In Town Tonight— Swindon



SWINDON TOWN FOOTBALL CLUB

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Anglo-Italian Cup
Winners 1970.

Ten-Year League Record :

Season	Div.	Pos.	W	F	A	Pts
1972/73	2	16th	10	46	60	36
1971/72	2	11th	15	47	47	42
1970/71	2	12th	15	61	51	42
1969/70	2	5th	17	57	47	50
1968/69	3	2nd	27	71	35	64
1967/68	3	10th	16	74	51	49
1966/67	3	8th	20	81	59	50
1965/66	3	7th	19	74	48	51
1964/65	2	21st	14	63	81	33
1963/64	2	14th	14	57	69	38

Les Allen sets flight course to the top for the 'Robins'!

Around February and March of this year both Swindon Town and their supporters were contemplating their football future very apprehensively indeed. At this time Town occupied the next-to-bottom position in the Second Division and were attracting small crowds in the region of eight to nine thousand spectators.

Fortunately, for themselves, they recovered and only lost three of their last twelve games, gradually moving to 16th position in the table with 36 points.

Consequently it provided their new manager Les Allen—he succeeded our popular manager, Dave Mackay, after Dave's move to the City Ground — with a breathing space, in the guise of the close season, during which he could finalise his thoughts and plans for their new campaign in the Second Division.

In his first few months as the "Robins" boss, the ex-Spurs inside-forward (a member of their "double-winning" team of 1960/61) has not been particularly active concerning transfers, in fact, he's not indulged in any major signings or sales.

Town's soccer fortunes didn't really begin to improve until they had been members of the Football League for over 40 years. It was then that Bert Head, who subsequently moved to Crystal Palace, was piloting one of the most promising young sides the country has seen to promotion from the Third Division for the first time.

Players such as Bobby Woodruff, Ernie Hunt, Mike Summerbee and Don Rogers (amongst others) were the "honey" regularly attracting the "bees" to the County Ground.

Eventually some of these "stars" had to be sold, basically because it is difficult for a provincial club like Swindon, meaning no disrespect, to compete with the successful and more affluent teams from the larger and more densely populated cities. After a mere two seasons Town were relegated to the Third Division again, and remained there for four years.

New manager, Danny Williams, launched a revival and it resulted

in the '68-69 season being one of the greatest ever enjoyed by a club from the lower regions of the Football League. Promotion was achieved when they secured second position behind Watford—only missing the Championship on goal average—and also reached Wembley in the League Cup Final to become the victors in possibly the major upset to have been witnessed on this ground. Magnificent is a word that adequately describes their performance when they defeated mighty Arsenal 3-1 in the League Cup final.

The following season (1970) they were the initial winners of the Anglo-Italian Cup competition and on the verge of attaining First Division status. Eventually they missed a promotion spot by just three points when finishing in fifth position.

Since then they have not achieved the same degree of consistency in their results or performances, and their mid-table league positions in the last three seasons have only been 12th, 11th and 16th.

Last season's game at the City Ground against Swindon Town was one that was somewhat unsatisfactory from our own point of view. It was played on the 21st October and, as it drew to a close, Swindon were in possession of a 2-0 lead after we had been unable to create any impression on the game.

As the match neared the end, our own performance dramatically improved and, to the delight of the vast majority of the 8,683 spectators, John Robertson and Martin O'Neill scored to bring the result level.

The return match at Town's County Ground, resulted in another drawn game (0-0), on 17th March before 9,842 spectators.

Following our encouraging start to this campaign (particularly the superb display at the Hawthorns three days ago) and Town's defeat on Saturday by neighbours Notts. County we will be expected to win tonight's game without too much exertion or worry. Football however, is not quite that simple, but nonetheless, it will be a surprise if our impressive form is not continued.

SWINDON PE



● **ROD THOMAS**

The goalkeeping berth in the opening games of the season has been occupied by Scottish-born **JIMMY ALLAN**, a promising young 'keeper who has only 20 Second Division games to his credit, 13 of which were played in the last campaign. **ALAN SPATLEY** is a useful close-season goalkeeping signing from Queen's Park Rangers for whom he played in 29 league games. Considering he competed for a place with Phil Parkes at Shepherd's Bush, it's hardly surprising he eventually moved.

The "Robins" possess one of the most experienced and efficient pair of full-backs in the league. **ROD THOMAS**, who missed just one league game last season has been a much sought-after defender for several years. He graduated through Town's successful youth policy system after joining them from Gloucester City in 1964 and has now over 20 Welsh caps to his name on the Welsh roll of honour.

Just as consistent is his partner, **JOHN TROLLOPE** who, at one time, played in 360 consecutive league games before the run was curtailed by his suffering a broken arm injury. A locally-born player, he joined Town immediately after leaving school and is now their longest-serving player with over 600 senior appearances.

FRANK BURROWS has appeared regularly in the centre-half shirt over the past few seasons since his transfer from Scunthorpe United in the summer of 1968. He should complete his second century of games for Town during this term. The diminutive **JOE BUTLER** is another automatic Swindon selection of recent years who can usually be found in their defence. Since his transfer from Newcastle United (his hometown club)—where he never really established himself—eight seasons ago, he is well on the way to completing his 300 league appearances for the "Robins".

RON POTTER was signed from West Bromwich Albion almost three years ago. During the last season he only missed two league games, normally playing alongside Burrows in the heart of the defence. **RAY BUNKELL** is an ex-'Spurs and England Youth international player who has been at the County Ground for over two years, during which time he's played in over 50 Second Division games, usually in midfield.

KEN STROUD is a young midfield player with seven league games to his credit since signing professional forms in 1970. He is a skilful player who is strongly challenging for a regular place in the first team. **TERRY HUBBARD** has now established himself in the first team in addition to gaining selection for the Welsh Under-23 team. Since signing professional forms in 1969, he's played in over 30 senior matches.

Two relatively inexperienced inside-forwards who began the season in the first team are **RICHARD LEGG**, who was signed from Chippenham Town over two years ago, and emphasised he was ready for senior selection towards the end of last season when winning his spurs in the final two games and scoring. Filling the other inside-forward position at the beginning of this season was **MICK MCGOVERN**, who was signed from Queen's Park Rangers in February of this year. A promising young forward he played 10 league games in his Rangers career and eight for the "Robins" towards the end of the last campaign.

RAY TREACY is a goalscoring centre-forward who has previously played with West Bromwich Albion

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and Charlton Athletic. He was purchased by Swindon from The Valley club for a largish fee prior to the beginning of last season and missed only two league games, finishing as Town's top scorer with 14 goals. His overall league record, prior to this season, is 186 games and 57 goals and he has also represented Eire at Schoolboy, Youth, Under-23 and full international level.

TOM JENKINS, who acquired a reputation as a "flying winger" whilst at Southampton, was bought by Town for a club record fee of £50,000 in October, 1972 shortly after the "Robins" sold Don Rogers to Crystal Palace. He has previously played with Orient, Reading (to whom Southampton paid a large fee for his talents) and Margate.

DAVID MOSS has been wearing, quite successfully, the number "7" shirt in the opening games of this season. He signed as a full professional in 1969 after having been recruited from junior soccer and, before this season, had played in 13 league games, scoring four goals.

RAY CLARKE was a regular goalscorer in the 'Spurs Football Combination side although he only had one appearance as a substitute for the first team, and was signed by Town in the summer recess. **CHRIS PORTER** is a winger signed from Bridgewater four years ago and has now played 28 games in the Second Division scoring four goals.

● The Swindon Town playing staff and officials are pictured below:

Back Row (left to right): Ken Stroud, Terry Hubbard, Jimmy Allan, Alan Spratley, Chris Porter, Richard Legg.

Centre Row: M. Collins, Ron Potter, John Trollope, Frank Burrows, Ray Clarke, Tom Jenkins, Rod Thomas, K. Morris (Physiotherapist).

Front Row: M. Owen (Reserve Team Trainer), Dave Moss, Mick McGovern, Ray Bunkell, Les Allen (Manager), Charlie Tuson, Ray Treacy, Joe Butler, G. Edleston (Coach).



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7. DAVID MOSS
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THIS new knock-out tournament for "Under-15's" school teams is the brainchild of Alan Hill (pictured on right), our Schools and Youth liaison officer.

The competition is open to all affiliated schools in Nottinghamshire and the final will be played (weather permitting) at the City Ground on Saturday next before the Preston North End game.

The kick-off will be at 1.15 p.m. with 30 minutes each way and penalties will decide the match if the teams are level after 60 minutes. Our chairman, Mr. J. H. Willmer, will present the trophy at approximately 2.30 p.m. **WHY NOT COME ALONG AND GIVE THE BOYS SOME ENCOURAGEMENT?**

The competition has received the ready co-operation and support of the teachers of both City and South Notts. schools but, although eligible, schools outside the area have declined to enter, no doubt because of expense.

Our thanks are due to :

The organising committee

Mr. A. Hill (Nottingham Forest), Mr. R. Hill (South Notts. Schools), Mr. G. D. Mills (Nottingham Schools F.A.), Mr. B. Petford (South Notts. Schools F.A.), Mr. J. Simpson (Nottingham Schools F.A.).

The panel of referees :

Messrs. L. Bott, R. Donnison, D. Green, P. Hanson, R. Hepworth, R. Hill, P. Jones, J. R. Lokes, P. Oakes, D. W. Savage, A. Spencer.

To the teams and their managers, and last, but not least, the various groundsmen and particularly to the groundsmen and Sports Committee of "Boots" for granting the use of their pitch to play a quarter-final match.

The winning school will hold the trophy for one year and mementoes will be given by the club to the finalists.

THE GAMES TO DATE :

Frank Wheldon Comp. 2, Keyworth South Wolds 2 (Referee : R. Hepworth)

Frank Wheldon : Ash, Beck, Hopewell, Smith, Green, Johnson, Watson, Russell, Shardlow, Buxton, Maltby, Westby, Harrison.

Keyworth South Wolds. : Beecroft, Tyler, Swinfield, Turner, Robson, Curtis, Levy, Hamilton, Smith, Nealon, Simpson, Booyackers.

Keyworth were leading 1-0 at half-time and looking the better side. Wheldon made a right-wing substitution which paid off as the new player made two goals which put them in the lead only for Keyworth to equalize with five minutes left. The tie was decided on penalties which Wheldon won 3-2.

Carlton-Le-Willows 3, Redhill Comp. 6 (Referee : P. Hanson)

Carlton-Le-Willows : Wade, Woodward, Morrow, Hopper, Chapman, Foster, Swift, Flowers, Astill, Gavin, Johnson, Morley, Cumberpatch.

Redhill Comp. : Jarvis, Carnelly, Dean, Jackson, Bell, Williams, O'Dowd, Surgey, Campbell, Warren, Soar, Standen.

Carlton after leading 3-1 finally capitulated and conceded five goals in quick succession to lose 6-3 to a Redhill side which finished much the stronger.

Calverton Sec. 1, Claremont Sec. 1 (Referee : A. Spencer)

Calverton Sec. : Harper, Checkley, McHugh, Thompson, Noal, Hallam, Nester, Watts, Harvey, Horton, Bowman, Strickland, Slater.

Claremont Sec. : Knight, Bailey, Lewis, Wright, Marchant, Willacy, Levandowski, Maclean, Grant, Davis, Pattison, Webster.

Claremont failed to take the many chances they created and only led 1-0 at half-time. Calverton came more into the game in the second half and equalized eight minutes from time and then clinched the tie with a 5-3 penalty win.

Annie Holgate Sec. 1, Beardall Sec. 2 (Referee : L. Bott)

Annie Holgate Sec. : Hopewell, Canham, Parry, Butler, Tuckwood, Johnson, Lester, Mee, Willows, McLaren, Brownlow, Hadley.

Beardall Sec. : Pickering, Goodman, Cotterill, Drake, Dallison, Shaw, West, Rose, Jackson, McShane, Allcock, Richardson, Bannister.

Holgate, who were last season's South Notts. schools "Under-14's" champions, were favourites for this tie but went down 2-1 to Beardall who rose to the occasion in this all Hucknall clash.

Hucknall Tech. 1, Ald. Derbyshire 2 (Referee : R. Donnison)

Hucknall Tech. : Hanson, Woodfield, S. Walker, Lambert, Mellor, R. Smith, G. Walker, Orton, Hardy, Gascoigne, Pearson, Williamson, M. Smith.

Ald. Derbyshire : Bicknall, Harby, Spencer, Potts, Wormald, Cashin, Jeffreys, Quinn, Holmes, Moor, Breedon, Curtis, Adams.

Hucknall Tech. were leading by the only goal until 10 minutes from time and looking much the better side having created six good scoring chances. Ald. Derbyshire turned on a scintillating performance in

the last few minutes and won the game with a two goal flurry.

St. Bernadettes 2, Padstow Bilateral 5
(Referee : P. Jones)

St. Bernadettes : Flynn, Bacon, Rowson, Capone, Anderson, Trivigno, Lyons, McAndrew, Palinszuk, Ronayne, Spencer, Fowler, Durkin.

Padstow : Astill, Hayes, White, Reuben, Purdie, Osborne, Walsh, Wilson, Smart, Glover, Pates, Thomas, Chantler.

St. Bernadettes took an early lead and were playing confidently until a bad mistake by the goalkeeper allowed Padstow to equalize. They then gained the ascendancy and went on to win handsomely.

Fairham Comp. 2, Arnold Hill Comp. 0
(Referee : D. Green)

Fairham : Perkins, Reedman, Lamb, Caine, Westby, Horsnall, Taylor, Wilson, Barnett, Shore, Hickman, Dexter, Smith.

Arnold Hill : Halford, Mitchell, Wallace, Toplis, Pepper, Burdett, Colley, Stevenson, Carter, Barks, Fewkes, Edwards, Weedon.

A one-sided game in which Fairham frittered away many chances. On this showing they must be the team that everyone has to beat. Centre-half Toplis had an outstanding game for the losers.

George Spencer Sec. 7, The Becket School 3
(Referee : J. R. Lokes)

George Spencer : Roe, Robinson, Witham, Peberday, Leggat, Fox, Deeley, Newton, Williams, Belfitt, Cliff, Colgate, Costema.

The Becket : Wardle, Wall, Grady, Greaves, Duffy, Higgins, Jackson, Pearson, Swift, Pycroft, Hayes, Spindler, Bentley.

The Stapleford side proved much too strong for Becket and could turn out to be one of the sides to watch.

Gedling Comp. 1, Bingham Toothill Sec. 4
(Referee : L. Bott)

Gedling : Armstrong, Williams, Cheetham, Judge, Kemp, Smith, Ball, Disney, Burke, Booth, White, North.

Bingham Toothill : Brown, Knight, D'Hooge, Swain, Mitchell, Todd, Jones, Wade, Cartledge, Scudder, Johnson, Densham.

An evenly matched game until the final quarter when Toothill eventually got their nose in front. This seemed to unsettle the Gedling defence which conceded further goals.

Beardall Sec. 3, Ald Derbyshire 3
(Referee : R. Hepworth)

Beardall : Pickering, Goodman, Cotterill, Drake, Dallison, Shaw, West, Rose, Jackson, McShane, Allcock, Richardson, Bannister.

Ald. Derbyshire : Bicknall, Harly, Spencer, Potts, Wormald, Cashin, Jeffreys, Quinn, Holmes, Moor, Breedon, Curtis, Adams.

Ald. Derbyshire who looked the stronger side took a 2-0 lead only for Beardall who worked extremely hard, to get back into the game with two good goals. With 20 minutes to go Beardall took the lead but the Bulwell side came back to square the match and then went on to win on penalties 3-2.

Calverton Sec. 5, Frank Wheldon 1
(Referee : P. Hanson)

Calverton : Harper, Checkley, McHugh, Thompson, Noal, Hallam, Nester, Watts, Harvey, Horton, Bowman, Strickland, Slater.

Frank Wheldon : Ash, Beck, Hopewell, Smith, Green, Johnson, Watson, Russell, Shardlow, Buxton, Maltby, Westby, Harrison.

Calverton proved too strong for the Wheldon side, which included four 13 year olds, and ran out easy winners.

Beeston Fields Sec. 3, Hucknall Nat. Sec. 1
(Referee : P. Jones)

Beeston Fields : Poulter, Hoppood, Soal, Hawley, Swan, Slater, Hall, Randall, Levers, Dwyer, Wildey, Hopkins.

Hucknall : Orme, Booth, Harper, Stringer, Turner, Rogers, Nicholls, Thompson, Grainger, Rhodes, Parker.

This game was evenly contested until the last 10 minutes when Beeston scored two superb goals to clinch the tie.

Redhill 2, Bramcote Hills Tech. 3
(Referee : D. W. Savage)

Redhill : Jarvis, Carnelly, Dean, Jackson, Bell, Williams, O'Dowd, Surgey, Campbell, Warren, Soar, Standen.

Bramcote Hills : Baron, Cordle, Havron, Shrewsbury, Hatton, Yates, Tolliday, Taylor, Lee, Fuller, Davenport.

Redhill scored an early goal through Jackson only for a hard working Bramcote side to overtake them with two goals before half time. After the break Bramcote took control and increased their lead. All credit to Redhill who never gave up and were rewarded with a late goal.

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FACTS and FIGURES

FOOTBALL LEAGUE — DIVISION TWO

Date	Opponents	Att.	F. A.
Aug. 4	Rhyl		9—0
11	Port Vale	2,521	2—0
14	Limerick	800	3—0
15	Cork Hibs.	4,000	3—0
17	Waterford	1,500	2—1
18	Walsall	3,091	2—0
20	Lincoln City	2,661	0—2
25	Luton Town	10,792	4—0
Sept. 1	Oxford United	7,861	0—1
8	Sheffield Wed.	13,452	2—1
11	Hull City	8,134	0—0
15	Albion	14,895	3—3
18	Swindon Town		
22	Preston North End		
29	Bolton Wand.		
Oct. 2	Swindon Town		
6	Millwall		
10	Millwall (L.C.)		
13	Orient		
20	Blackpool		
23	Hull City		
27	Aston Villa		
31	League Cup, 3rd Round		
Nov. 3	Crystal Palace		
10	Fulham		
17	Carlisle United		
21	League Cup, 4th Round		
24	(1) Sunderland		
Dec. 1	Portsmouth		
8	Cardiff City		
15	(2) Middlesbrough		
19	League Cup, 5th Round		
22	Bolton Wand.		
26	Notts. County		
29	Sheffield Wed.		
Jan. 1	Oxford United		
5	F.A. Cup, 3rd Round		
12	Albion		
16	League Cup, Semi-Final		
19	Luton Town		
23	League Cup, Semi-Final		
26	F.A. Cup, 4th Round		
Feb. 2	Middlesbrough		
9	Preston North End		
16	(5) Orient		
23	Millwall		
Mar. 2	Notts. County		
Mar. 2	League Cup Final		
9	(6) Aston Villa		
16	Blackpool		
23	Fulham		
30	(S.F.) Crystal Pal.		
April 6	Sunderland		
12	Bristol City		
13	Carlisle United		
16	Bristol City		
20	Cardiff City		
27	Portsmouth		

CENTRAL LEAGUE

Date	Opponents	F. A.	Date	Opponents	F. A.
1973			1974		
Aug. 28	Manchester U.	0—0	Jan. 5	Manchester U.	
Sept. 1	Sheffield U.	2—5	8	Wolves	
4	Everton	1—4	15	Huddersfield	
15	Wolves	0—1	19	Blackburn R.	
29	Derby County		26	Everton	
Oct. 2	Aston Villa		Feb. 5	Derby County	
9	Bury		9	Bury	
13	Liverpool		19	Liverpool	
20	Stoke City		23	Blackpool	
27	Leeds Utd.		Mar. 5	Manchester C.	
31	Blackburn R.		9	Leeds Utd.	
Nov. 3	Newcastle U.		23	Bolton W.	
6	Huddersfield		30	Newcastle U.	
10	Bolton W.		April 6	Burnley	
13	Coventry City		13	Sheffield W.	
17	Sheffield W.		20	Preston N.E.	
24	Burnley		27	Albion	
Dec. 1	Albion				
8	Preston N.E.				
14	Manchester C.				
18	Blackpool				
26	Coventry City				
29	Aston Villa				

To be arranged:
Stoke City (away)
Sheffield United (home)

MIDLAND YOUTH LEAGUE

Date	Opponents	F. A.	Date	Opponents	F. A.
1973			1974		
Sept. 12	Aston Villa	1—4	Jan. 23	Albion	
18	Birmingham C.		30	Aston Villa	
26	Coventry C.		Feb. 6	Birmingham C.	
Oct. 3	Leicester C.		13	Coventry City	
8	Northampton		20	Leicester City	
17	Notts. County		27	Northampton	
24	Wolves		Mar. 4	Notts. County	
Nov. 1	Oxford United		13	Bristol City	
7	Wolves		19	Swindon T.	
14	Oxford United				
21	Bristol City				
28	Swindon T.				

To be arranged:
Albion (home)

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Division Two Statistics

MATCH DIGEST

DIVISION TWO LEAGUE TABLE

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts.
Aston Villa	5	2	3	0	5	1	7
Bolton	5	3	1	1	6	2	7
Sunderland	5	2	3	0	8	4	7
Bristol City	5	3	1	1	5	4	7
Middlesbrough	5	3	1	1	5	4	7
Cardiff City	5	1	4	0	8	3	6
FOREST	5	2	2	1	9	5	6
Orient	5	2	2	1	8	5	6
Fulham	5	2	2	1	4	3	6
Luton Town	5	2	2	1	13	10	6
Sheffield Wed.	5	2	1	2	6	6	5
Swindon Town	5	2	1	2	5	5	5
Notts. County	5	2	1	2	8	9	5
Albion	5	2	1	2	8	9	5
Blackpool	5	1	2	2	5	6	4
Preston N.E.	5	1	2	2	4	5	4
Hull City	5	1	2	2	1	4	4
Millwall	5	1	1	3	4	6	3
Portsmouth	5	0	3	2	5	8	3
Carlisle	5	1	1	3	5	9	3
Oxford United	5	1	1	3	1	8	3
Crystal Palace	5	0	1	4	3	10	1

Top Goalscorers

Division Two and League Cup

McCulloch (Cardiff)	6
McKenzie (Forest)	5
Randall (Notts. County)	5
Finney (Luton)	5
Byrom (Bolton)	5
Tony Brown (Albion)	4
Queen (Orient)	4
Gould (Bristol City)	4
Halom (Sunderland)	3
O'Neill (Carlisle)	3
Treacy (Swindon)	3
Owen (Carlisle)	3

CENTRAL LEAGUE TABLE

Manchester Utd.	6	4	2	0	9	2	10
Wolves	6	4	2	0	9	5	10
Liverpool	7	4	1	2	13	8	9
Blackpool	7	3	3	1	14	9	9
Everton	6	3	2	1	13	6	8
Aston Villa	7	2	4	1	6	4	8
Sheffield Wed.	5	2	3	0	4	2	7
Derby County	5	3	1	1	8	5	7
Coventry City	5	3	1	1	6	5	7
Burnley	6	3	1	2	9	8	7
Stoke City	6	2	2	2	10	8	6
Newcastle Utd.	6	2	2	2	13	9	6
Preston N.E.	4	2	1	1	7	5	5
Leeds United	7	1	3	3	10	15	5
Albion	6	1	2	3	8	7	4
Blackburn Rov.	5	1	2	2	6	7	4
Manchester City	5	1	2	2	6	8	4
Sheffield United	6	1	2	3	9	14	4
Huddersfield	6	1	0	5	5	8	2
Bolton	6	0	2	4	7	15	2
FOREST	4	0	1	3	3	10	1
Bury	5	0	1	4	6	20	1

Top Attendances

Sunderland v. Cardiff (29,495).
Aston Villa v. Preston (28,861).
Aston Villa v. Oxford (28,078).
Sunderland v. Orient (28,211).
Palace v. Aston Villa (20,858).
Palace v. Notts. County (20,841).

Lowest Attendances

Carlisle v. Notts. County (6,109).
Carlisle v. Cardiff (6,863).
Hull v. Preston (7,009).
Orient v. Bristol City (7,216).
Luton v. Carlisle (7,231).

Tuesday, 11th September

HULL CITY 0, FOREST 0

The inclusion of Peter Hindley (who replaced John Galley) in the number ten shirt, for his first league game of the season following his two-match suspension, was the only team change from our previous game against Sheffield Wednesday at the City Ground.

The game resulted in a goalless draw watched by 8,134 spectators who saw, as the scoreline suggests, a reasonably even game. According to the "Daily Mirror" we had to be "thankful for some slack finishing by Hull" who did incidentally have the ball in our net, but it was disallowed for "hands" by Pearson, the "scorer".

The "Daily Express" headed their report "Hindley inspires Forest" and described his cracking drive which flashed narrowly over the bar in the third minute. They also paid tribute to the good covering of the Forest defence.

Team: Barron; O'Kane, Winfield; Chapman, Cottam, Lyall; McKenzie, C'Neill, Martin, Hindley, Dennehy.

Saturday, 15th September

FOREST RES. 0, WOLVES RES. 1

Considering we fielded a young and inexperienced side, our performance was quite satisfactory despite the fact we suffered a defeat. Wolves selected a very strong side that included Phil Parkes (missing his first senior game after a run of well over 100 games), Danny Hegan, Peter Eastoe, Dave Wagstaffe and Ken Hibbitt who scored the game's only goal with a terrific shot.

Team: Wells; Anderson, Dulson; Serella, Baines, McCann; McIntosh, Peplow, Galley, Woods, Young.

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Amongst our contributions are the following items: For instance, Forest were the first team to adopt the three-player half-back line formation almost 90 years ago. Until then, the accepted line-up had always comprised two half-backs and six forwards.

In 1874, Sam Widdowson, then a player, and later to become a chairman of the club, registered shinguards which were originally worn outside the stocking! These have, of course, in a revised form, been universally worn ever since.

It would, obviously, now seem completely impossible, but a referee used to control a game by waving a handkerchief and shouting his instructions to the players. In 1878, a referee's whistle was used for the first time in a game between ourselves and Sheffield Norfolk.

Equally odd was the original structure of the goals which used to consist of two uprights with just a ribbon, or tape, fastened across them. James Brodie, a Liverpoolian, invented the crossbar and goalnets and they were first used in 1891. The occasion was the Forest ground, and the game a trial match between a team selected from players in the North, and a team of players selected from the South of England.

It was discovered, not all that long ago either, that Forest were the first club to use the Trent Bridge cricket ground (for two years, from 1880-1882) for their footballing base, prior to it becoming the home of Notts. County.

Commencing in 1885, and ending in 1889, the club claimed a record which is still unique. They were drawn, at varying times in that period, to play against teams from all the four home countries in the F.A. Cup. The country to complete the list was Ireland, and the team Linfield. The game resulted in a 2-2 draw, and the replay was then arranged to be played in Ireland. Linfield, however, suddenly decided to withdraw from the competition but unfortunately they notified Forest too late to prevent our team from travelling.

As a result, the F.A. Cup game in Ireland itself was never played. The record, however of having been drawn to play in all four home countries is, theoretically, still correct.—M.H.

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	Half Time	Full Time		Half Time	Full Time
A Scunthorpe v. Bradford C.	2-1		M Albion v. Preston	0-1	
B Carlisle v. Portsmouth	0-0		N Rotherham v. Gillingham	1-1	
C Everton v. Hearts	0-1		O Halifax Town v. Charlton	2-0	
D Newport v. Crewe	2-1		P		
E Shrewsbury v. Bristol R.	0-2		Q		
F Bristol City v. Hull City	0-1		R		
G Swansea v. Northampton	1-1		S		
H Coventry v. Derby County	1-0		T		
J Barnsley v. Lincoln City	0-0		U		

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