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NEWS & VIEWS

Today we welcome to the County Ground real friends of long standing. Many can still remember the kindness of our visitors, when Charlton was one of the leading clubs in Division I.

Although we ourselves had hoped to be in their position, we do congratulate them in heading the League Division III table. At least that is how it stands at the time of compiling these notes. When the teams meet, each will have played three more games. Charlton is however firmly entrenched in the top three positions, and must be considered as real candidates for promotion.

Known throughout the football world as the friendly club (a fact we heartily endorse) which boasts the biggest league ground in the South (capacity 66,000) it really has a First Division set up. Their progress this season has been outstanding, because when Swindon visited The Valley on 21st September 1974 there was little thought of promotion as Charlton occupied a place near the middle of the table, with Swindon two positions above them.

It was rather a remarkable game as within half an hour Swindon was two goals in the lead. This was the score at half time, but early in the second half Charlton got right on top and took a 3-2 lead.

Fortunately Swindon equalised near to the end to share the points.

We last played Charlton in Division II in season 1971-72 when I am sorry to say they were relegated along with Watford. The home game was played on 21st August 1971 the first match with the opening of the new North Stand. The composition of the two teams was rather interesting. Swindon - Downsborough Thomas (Derby) Trollope Butler Burrows Mackay (Derby) Peplow (Tranmere) Harland (Birmingham) Horsfield (Charlton) Noble (Burnley) and Porter. Charlton - Bellotti Bruck Warman Bond (Watford) Went (Portsmouth) Reeves Davis Treacy (Oldham) Endean (Halifax) Kenning and Peacock. Treacy scored first for Charlton in 48 minutes but Horsfield scored in 74 minutes and Butler one minute from the end to give Swindon a rather lucky victory. Quite a clean pleasant game, with Harland never happy in the forward line.

It will be noticed Treacy scored for Charlton and he was later transferred to Swindon from where he went to Preston.

The player most remembered and who I feel sure will receive a great welcome is Arthur Horsfield who at one time was a great favourite with our supporters (King Arthur) but later was subjected to a certain amount of barracking. Whilst at

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Charlton on way back?

by Tony Pullein

As we went into the Easter games, it really did seem that the years of heartbreak and despair were going to end for Charlton. There has been precious little to smile about at The Valley since 1957, when the club lost its First Division place.

After narrowly missing promotion at the first attempt, Charlton made only one further serious bid (1969) to regain their place at the top. And, after some depressing years, they dropped down into the Third Division in 1972.

This season, however, under the new managership of Andy Nelson, Charlton have looked good value for promotion. One of the men leading their drive is former Swindon striker Arthur Horsfield who, quite often this season, has switched to play centre-back!

A former England youth international, Arthur played for Middlesbrough and Newcastle before coming to the County Ground in 1969/70. He was our top scorer in his first season and, after leaving for The Valley in 1972, he has for the past two seasons been Charlton's leading marksman.

He began this season in defence, moved forward again to score 11 goals, but in recent games had reverted to the back four when Bob Curtis was injured. Most of the season the defence had comprised: Curtis, Bob Goldthorpe, David Young and Phil Warman. Mark Penfold came in at right-back in a reshuffle after injuries.

Curtis, who made his Charlton bow in 1966/67, has now played more than 300 games for the club. He claimed something of a record when scoring from the penalty spot in the first three games of this season. He had eight goals to his credit before the holiday.

Goldthorpe, who got only one game in Crystal Palace's League eleven, transferred to Charlton in 1973 after a loan period.

Young was a £20,000 close-season signing from Sunderland for whom he made many Second Division appearances. Earlier he played in the First Division for Newcastle. Warman joined Charlton from school and made his first League appearance in 1969/70.

Penfold, a local discovery, was introduced to the team last season.

Graham Tutt has now taken over in goal. He made his debut last season but had only seven appearances before taking over as number one this term.

Micky Kelly, Richard Bowman, Peter Hunt and Colin Powell are the main contenders for midfield positions.

Kelly developed with local rivals Millwall, made his first team debut two seasons ago but, when he appeared to be making good progress this season, he was surprisingly given a free transfer! Charlton were quick to cash in.

Bowman made his Charlton bow two seasons ago and has been holding his own this term. Hunt made his League debut for Southend in 1968/69 and made some three dozen appearances before moving to Charlton, initially on loan, in 1971. While at Roots Hall he had the distinction of gaining England youth honours.

Powell stepped out of Barnet's Southern League side, straight into Charlton's League XI two seasons ago, Barnet receiving £10,000 when he left.

Hunt often moves forward with the strikers, a position he may well fill if

Horsfield is still in defence today. Derek Hales and Keith Peacock are the other chief strikers, with Mike Flanagan an ever-enthusiastic deputy.

Hales hit his first-ever hat-trick in the recent vital 3-1 victory over Halifax which put Charlton back on top of the table. Charlton signed him from Luton for £10,000 last season. With 16 goals before the holiday he was Charlton's top scorer.

Peacock is now Charlton's longest-serving player, with almost 400 League appearances to his credit.

Andy Nelson took over as Charlton's manager last summer, shortly after leading Gillingham to promotion to the Third Division. As a player he served West Ham, Ipswich and Plymouth and, before going to Gillingham as manager, he was a coach at Millwall.

Charlton Athletic, formed in 1905, were elected to the Football League's Division Three (South) in 1921.

During the 'thirties they rose from the Third to the First Division in successive seasons.

Their really great days were packed into eleven years between 1936 and 1947. Runners-up in Division I, four Cup finals

in five years (including two war-time competitions) were just some of the heights attained in those golden days.

In 1943 and 1944 they reached the final of the League South Cup, winning the Trophy on the second occasion. They were beaten in extra-time by Derby in the 1946 F.A. Cup final but returned to Wembley a year later to defeat Burnley 1-0. Then fortunes faded and they were relegated from Division I in 1957.

Before relegation to Division Three overtook them in 1972, they had several narrow escapes. A rainstorm saved them in 1963! They were two points below Walsall before the final game when the two sides met at Walsall. Only a win could save them. The first match was 0-0 when it was abandoned at half-time due to a storm. When they replayed the score was again 0-0 at the interval (had the 90 minutes play counted, Charlton would have been down) but fortunately they finally won the match 2-1.

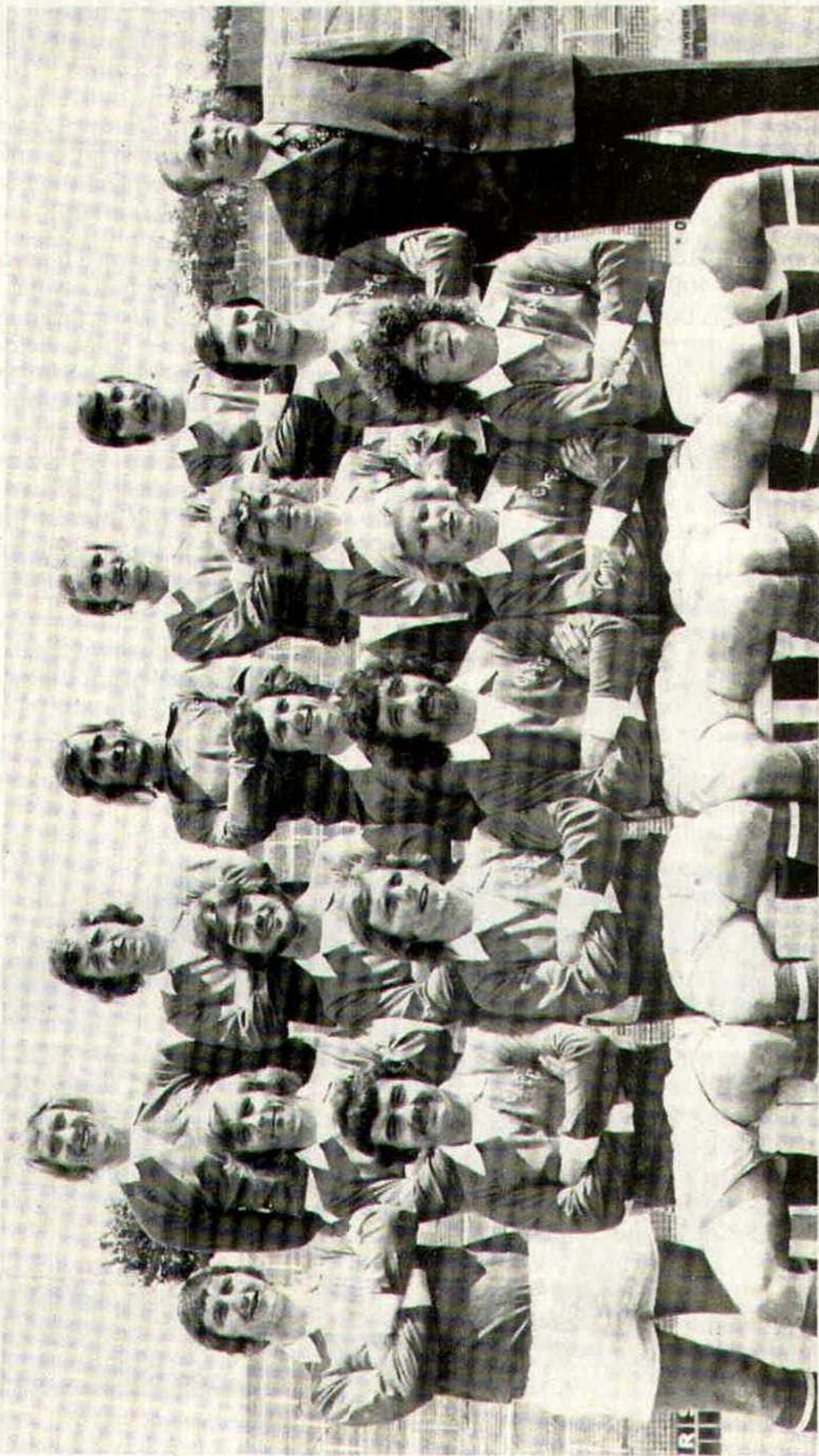
In 1972 luck ran out for them and Charlton returned to Division Three after an absence of 37 years.

Now everyone at The Valley is hoping that 1975 will mark the first step in their rise back to the top.



David Syrett finds the 'Palace' keeper well positioned to foil this Town attack.

Team photo CHARLTON ATHLETIC



Left to Right
Front: K. Peacock, P. Warman, D. Hales, R. Bowman, M. Penfold.
Middle: A. Horsefield, C. Powell, R. Tumbridge, P. Hunt, E. Dunphy, D. Young, Andy Nelson (Team Manager).
Back: B. Goldthorpe, M. Flanagan, J. Dunn, P. Davies, B. Curtis.

CHARLTON ATHLETIC F.C.

Charlton Athletic FC was formed in 1905 after playing on various grounds and in various local leagues, joined the Kent League. In April 1920, the decision was made to turn professional and the club joined the Southern League. The ground at Floyd Road - The Valley - was acquired. In 1921 they were elected to the Third Division (South) of the Football League. The first League game at The Valley was against Exeter City on 27th August 1921, which Charlton Athletic won by 1-0. In the 1922/23 season after winning the London Challenge Cup, they had a tremendous run in the FA Cup, beating Manchester City, Preston North End and West Bromwich Albion, being finally knocked out in the quarter-final by Bolton Wanderers.

Due to lack of local support, the club moved to Catford but attendances there were even worse and the Club moved back to The Valley for the 1924/25 season. Charlton gained promotion to the Second Division for the 1929/30 season but were back in the Third Division (South) for the 1933/34 season. An important turn in the Club's history occurred in 1932 when the Gliksten family took an interest in the Club with the brothers, Albert and Stanley Gliksten, joining the Board. The present Chairman, Mr. Michael Gliksten, is the son of Stanley Gliksten. Jimmy Seed then joined as Secretary/Manager.

Two seasons later the Club started their record-breaking rise, being Third Division (South) Champions 1934/35, with over 100 goals, Second Division Runners-up 1935/36 and First Division Runners-up 1936/37. After two more good seasons in the First Division, normal League Football was suspended for 7 years due to the outbreak of the Second World War. Competitions were held during this time and in 1943 Charlton Athletic made their first appearance at Wembley (losing to Arsenal 7-1) in the Football League (South) Cup.

In 1946, the Cup Competition was resumed and Charlton almost achieved the Cup and wartime League South double. They lost 4-1 in extra time to Derby County in the Cup and were one point behind Division South Champions, Birmingham, and Runners-up Aston Villa in the League. The following year, they again reached Wembley, this time beating Burnley 1-0, so bringing the Cup to The Valley. The line-up was: Bartram, Croker, Shreeve, Johnson, Phipps, Whittaker, Hurst, Dawson, Robinson W., Welsh, Duffy. There was an amazing coincidence relating to these games - the ball burst in each match, and after the Charlton/Derby final, the clubs met within days for a League match and the ball burst in that game too!

Charlton were relegated to the Second Division in 1957, and they missed making a swift return to the First Division in 1957/58 season by one point and a couple of goals. They remained in the Second Division, being contenders for promotion in 1968/69 when they were third, until 1971/72 when they were relegated in their Fiftieth Year in the Football League to the Third Division.

Facts and Figures

Highest Attendances: Football League - 68,036 v Arsenal 17.10.36.

F.A. Cup - 75,031 v Aston Villa 12.2.38.

Champions: Football League 3rd Division (South) 1929 and 1935.

Runners-up: 1st Division 1937,
2nd Division 1936.

Biggest home win: 8-1 v Middlesbrough 12.9.53.

Biggest home defeat: 0-7 v Everton 7.2.31.

Biggest away win: 6-1 v Luton Town 10.2.62.

Biggest away defeat: 1-11 v Aston Villa 4.11.59.

Highest scoring match: 7-6 v Huddersfield Town at Charlton 21.12.57.

The Chairmans Column

Today's home match against Charlton will undoubtedly be very important to the leading clubs in our Division. Charlton's Chairman, Mr. Gliksten has close connections with our Club having been a visitor to us when he was a schoolboy at Marlborough College, and has many friends in this area. One of their most consistent players, Arthur Horsfield, was a favourite with our crowd only a few seasons ago, as our centre forward

Many years ago, of course, Swindon supplied them with a centre forward, in the late Stan Prior. Stan Prior was a local boy who played for the Swindon Corinthians in the Wiltshire League, and joined Charlton when they won their way through from the Third Division straight through to the First Division.

Our last home match against Crystal Palace was very exciting right up to the end, and I am sure that if we can produce this kind of effort our supporters will continue to follow us.

Everybody loves to see goals, but even the near misses, although frustrating can still be exciting.

It is a pity that we have to present the Penalty Competition before the league games, because so many of our country supporters arrive too late to see it. It has been suggested that we try it at half-time, but the objection to this is the state of the goalmouths, if we have a wet day. The preliminary rounds and semi-finals have now been completed leaving the Finalists as Pinehurst Secondary School and Faringdon School. This Final is to take place on April 5th before our home game with Huddersfield. It should cause quite a lot of rivalry between the Town and the Country Schools. It has proved a very popular competition, and we are sure that the supporters have enjoyed the efforts of these young boys, and we would like to say a big thank you to all the people who have helped organise them and to the school associations.

At our last Forum held in the Rendezvous Club we had requests for ground season tickets. We have to have at least a hundred people interested in this to enable us to make it viable. Each season ticket holder would have to be in possession of a book of tickets to enable them to enter the ground through the turnstile of their choice. The printing cost of these tickets is too high to enable us to provide them for small numbers. Up to date we have had only two requests for ground season tickets. If you are interested will you please write to our Secretary as soon as possible.

PLEASE NOTE!

The Supporter of the Year Committee to be chaired by Mr. M. Lewis will be held in the Supporters Club on Thursday 3rd April, 1975 at 8.15 p.m. so this is your last chance to nominate anyone you think would qualify for this trophy.

The trophy will be presented by the Chairman of Swindon Town Football Club Mr. C. Green on April 19th at the Swindon v Halifax game.

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Highest scoring draw: 6-6 v Middlesbrough
at Charlton 22.10.60.

Most goals in a season: 107 in 1958 and
103 in 1935.

Unbeaten at home: 1936.

**Well-known Charlton Players over the
Years**

Malcolm Allison
Mike Bailey
Sam Bartram
Alan Campbell
Derek Ufton
Charlie Wright
Billy Bonds
'Sailor' Brown
Benny Fenton
Eddie Firmani
Don Welsh
Theo Foley

Len Glover
John Hewie
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ALL COACHES FROM COUNTY GROUND CAR PARK

Danny's Desk



Today we welcome Charlton Athletic to the County Ground, yet another club striving to attain promotion to the higher division. Last Saturday's result against Crystal Palace was disappointing in that we lost a point but the game itself was entertaining and the way in which the lads picked themselves up after being a goal

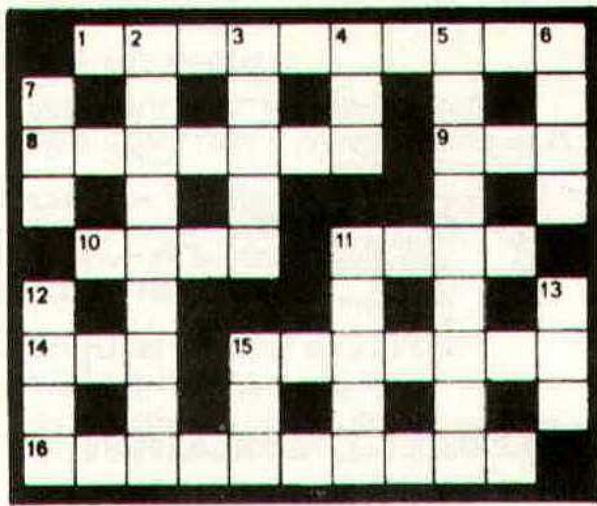
down was a great encouragement. If only we had shown this same tenacity in our away matches throughout the season I am sure that promotion would have been assured. From the time of writing to the present time two more away results will be known. Three matches in four days of the Easter period is a heavy programme for a club such as ourselves with such a critical injury problem and I can only pray that during the last two games the problem is not aggravated further.

A word to Cricket Club secretaries. Dougie Woodman has now obtained his cricket gear supplies in the 'Swindon Town Sports' Shop and he will only be too pleased to discuss your new seasons requirements with you. He is open every day and can be contacted by telephone, just ring 22118. If he hasn't got what you want be assured that he will very quickly obtain it.

We shall in the next month or two be considering the format of next season's programme. Yes already! It is very easy for us to say what we think you would like to read in this publication but what we would like to know is what you, the reader, would like to see in it. Send in your suggestions for our consideration, we can't guarantee to print everything you ask for but it will be of great help to have your ideas.

I would like to congratulate our youth players for their endeavour in the Midland Youth League this season. They are a very young side for the competition yet are more than holding their own against such clubs as Coventry, Birmingham, Aston Villa etc. Despite requests from a number of clubs in the League it has been agreed that the age limit should not be raised in the competition and, because of this decision, there is no reason why we should not be among the leaders in the League next season.

Thank you for coming along this evening and please, keep coming for the rest of the season — We need your support.



CROSSWORD PUZZLE

Compiled by David Peck

The first four correct entries opened by The Secretary, The Swindon Town F.C. County Ground, Swindon will each receive two tickets to a home Football League match. Please mark your envelope "Ninety-Niner"

CLUES – Across

1. One of the names Blackpool are known by (10)
8. See 9 across
9. & 8 across. What Uruguay, Italy and England have all done in the World Cup Finals(3,4-3)
10. Part-timer who played 68 times (a record until 1972) for Belgium: Vic --- (4)
11. Brothers in a Division One side (4)
14. Veteran Barnsley forward (3)
15. Founder-member of the Football League (7)
16. Reading's nickname (10)

CLUES – Down

2. Ex-Wolves and Liverpool forward at Villa Park (4,5)
3. Attendances (5)
4. Where the Maracana Stadium is (3)
5. Their line-up includes Keeley and Kennedy (9)
6. & 7 Three Plymouth players were this in one of last season's Sunday games (4,3)
11. Newport County (5)
12. Alec Stock wrote a book called "Football --- Manager" (4)
13. Well-known initials of a famous 12 down (1,1,1)
15. Member of Brazil's 1966 and 1974 World Cup squads. (3)

SOLUTIONS TO CROSSWORD WALSALL PROGRAMME.

SOLUTIONS – Across

1. Leatherhead, 7. Mannion, 9. Cush, 10. Bly (1960/61), 12. pass, 14. Ternana, 17. Roger Kenyon (Everton)

SOLUTIONS – Down

1. Leicester, 2. Aris, 3. Ham, 4. Ron (Atkinson) 5. Eric, 6. Don Masson, 8. Allen, 11. drug, 13. Ally 15. Ayr, 16. Are.

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DATE	OPPONENTS	RESULT	
		F	A
1974			
Aug. 17	Bury	H	0 2
20	League Cup 1 Portsmouth	H	0 1
24	Port Vale	A	2 2
31	Blackburn Rovers	H	2 0
Sept. 3	Tranmere Rovers	H	0 0
7	Crystal Palace	A	2 6
14	Plymouth Argyle	H	2 0
17	Aldershot	H	3 2
21	Charlton Athletic	A	3 3
24	Walsall	A	0 2
28	Watford	H	2 2
Oct. Oct. 5	Chesterfield	A	2 0
	Southend United	H	2 0
12	Halifax Town	A	0 0
19	Wrexham	H	2 1
21	Tranmere Rovers	A	0 3
26	Huddersfield Town	A	2 2
Nov. 2	Grimsby Town	H	3 2
5	Chesterfield	H	1 0
9	Brighton & Hove Albion	A	1 1
16	Gillingham	H	1 0
23	Reading F.A. Cup	H	4 0
30	Colchester United	H	4 1
Dec. 4	League Cup 5		1 2
7	Hereford United	A	1 2
14	F.A. Cup 2 Maidstone	H3	1 1
21	Peterborough United	H	0 1
26	Plymouth Argyle	A	3 4
28	AFC Bournemouth	H	2 1
1975			
Jan. 4	F.A. Cup 3 Lincoln	H	2 0
11	Hereford United	H	1 0
18	Colchester United	A	0 3 (A)
F.A. Cup 25 4	West Ham United	A	1 1
28 Replay	West Ham United	H	1 2
Feb. 1	Brighton & Hove A.	H	1 0
8	Grimsby Town	A	0 2
12	Aldershot	A	1 0
15	Preston North End	H	1 0
18	Preston North End	A	0 2
22	Gillingham	A	1 3
Mar. 1	Blackburn Rovers	A	0 2
4	Colchester United	A	0 2
8	Walsall (6)	H	3 0
15	Watford	A	0 1
18	Bury	A	0 0
22	Crystal Palace	H	1 1
28			
29	Peterborough United	A	
31	AFC Bournemouth	A	
Apr. 1	Charlton Athletic	H	
5	Huddersfield Town (SF)	H	

DATE	OPPONENTS	RESULT	
		F	A
11	Southend United	A	
19	Halifax Town	H	
22	Port Vale	H	
26	Wrexham	A	
May 3	F.A. Cup Final		

FOOTBALL COMBINATION

DATE	OPPONENTS	RESULT	
		F	A
1974			
Aug. 17	Ipswich Town	A	0 5
20	Bristol Rovers	A	Postponed
24	Oxford United	H	0 4
27	Bristol Rovers	H	0 1
31	Arsenal	A	0 1
Sept. 7	Q.P.R.	H	0 3
14	West Ham United	A	0 5
18	Oxford United	A	0 1
21	Crystal Palace	H	0 3
28	Bournemouth	A	2 2
12	Cardiff City	H	1 0
19	Chelsea	A	0 4
Nov. 2	Bristol City	A	0 1
9	Tottenham Hotspur	H	0 2
16	Luton Town	A	1 3
23(1)	Norwich City	H	Postponed
30	Birmingham City	A	2 2
Dec. 7	Leicester City	H	1 2
17	Fulham	A	0 2
1975			
4 (3)			
11	Leicester City	A	1 1
18	Birmingham City	H	postponed
Feb. 1	Tottenham Hotspur	A	0 1
4	West Ham United	H	Postponed
8	Luton Town	H	1 3
12	Reading	A	0 2
15(5)	Norwich City	A	0 2
22	Bristol City	H	1 1
25	Crystal Palace	A	0 3
Mar. 1	Arsenal	H	1 3
4	Plymouth Argyle	A	0 5
11	Southampton	A	3 1
15	Fulham	H	Postponed
18	Ipswich Town	H	0 2
25	Southampton	H	2 4
29	Bournemouth	H	
Apr. 8	Cardiff City	A	
12	Reading	H	
15	Plymouth Argyle	H	
26	Chelsea	H	
29	Q.P.R.	A	

FOR THE RECORD

MIDLAND YOUTH - 19th March 1975

SWINDON TOWN 4 (Tanner 2 Brinkworth, Gardner)

Lawrence, Chalklin, Cowley, Tanner, Thompson, Andrews, Gilligan, Gardner, Farr, Brinkworth, Smith, Hooman (s)

COVENTRY CITY 0

DIVISION III - 22nd March 1975

SWINDON TOWN 1 (Eastoe)

Barron, Dixon, Trollope, Stroud, Burrows, Prophett, Moss, Jenkins, Eastoe, McLaughlin, Syrett, Dillon (s).

CRYSTAL PALACE 1 (Hinshewood)

Burns, Wall, Cannon, Johnson, Jeffries, Evans, Whittle, Hinshewood, Hill, Swindlehurst, Taylor, Chatterton (s).

FOOTBALL COMBINATION - 25th March

SWINDON TOWN 2 (Stroud, Broom)

Lawrence, Chalklin, Tanner, Andrews, Broom, Stroud, Gill, Syrett, Farr, Maclean, Gardner, Pooley (s).

SOUTHAMPTON 4

Martin, McCarthy, Knight, Fisher, Earls, Waldron, McCalliog, Stokes, Broomfield, O'Brien, Berry, Sharpe.

HOME ATTENDANCES

Opponents	Attendances	League Average
Bury	6441	6441
Portsmouth (L.Cup)	4779	—
Blackburn Rovers	4951	5696
Tranmere Rovers	5511	5634
Plymouth Argyle	5496	5599
Aldershot	5733	5626
Watford	6326	5743
Southend	6690	5878
Wrexham	6731	5985
Grimsby Town	7198	6119
Chesterfield	8277	6335
Gillingham	8847	6563
Reading (F.A.Cup)	13,365	
Colchester	10072	6856
Maidstone (F.A. Cup)	10016	
Peterborough	9023	7022
Bournemouth	9929	7230
Lincoln City(F.A.Cup)	11,791	
Hereford United	11,781	7534
West Ham United (F.A. Cup)	26749	
Brighton	9552	7659
Preston	11892	7908
Walsall	8964	7967
C. Palace	11542	8155



Another Swindon attempt to score is foiled by Burns.

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News and Views - continued

Swindon he made 107 appearances and one as substitute, and scored 41 goals. As spectators remember, he was excellent at snapping up scoring chances. At the end of last season he had made 92 appearances at Charlton, and scored 43 goals. He obviously retains his scoring ability, and will be most anxious to add to his total. This season he has at times occupied the centre-half position, or to use present day wording, in the middle of the back-four.

Harking back to season 1971-72 the gate at Swindon in September was 15,624 and the away fixture resulted in a 1-3 defeat.

Charlton was rather unfortunate to be relegated, as they finished just one point below Fulham and Cardiff City. The two clubs promoted were Norwich City and Birmingham, but teams like Q.P.R., Sunderland, Burnley, Middlesbrough, Carlisle were still in Division II. Huddersfield and Crystal Palace were in Division I. Fortunes change very quickly in football.

Recently I have been scanning early issues of some of the magazines concerned with

football. Some of the forecasts made at the beginning of the season, were rather surprising. Instance Division III Champions - Huddersfield, Runners-up Crystal Palace, Promotion Plymouth, Relegated Walsall, Swindon, Hereford, Colchester, Well! Well!



MIDLAND YOUTH LEAGUE TABLE
Up to 20.3.1975

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Oxford	18	12	4	2	44	19	28
Wolves	18	10	6	2	35	23	26
WBA	19	11	3	5	36	15	25
Leicester City	16	8	5	3	32	16	21
Swindon Town	17	8	4	5	32	27	20
Aston Villa	18	6	7	5	34	22	19
Nott'm Forrest	18	9	1	8	19	18	19
Bristol City	16	6	4	6	32	25	16
Birmingham	13	4	3	6	14	16	11
Coventry	18	5	1	12	15	36	11
Notts County	18	1	5	12	15	39	7
Northampton	17	1	1	15	12	63	3



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Third Division Scene

by Tony Pullein

HECTIC TRANSFER ACTIVITY

Third Division clubs were as busy as most in the hectic pre-deadline transfer rush. One character to burst back onto the League scene is goalkeeper Alan Boswell who has come back from the shadows, with Oswestry Town, to join Blackburn Rovers. Boswell, who began with Walsall did his early soccer practice in his mother's pub! He later played for Shrewsbury and Wolves, asking the Molineux club for his cards when he decided to retire.

Yet, within weeks he was back on League duty with Bolton Wanderers. They sold him to Port Vale in 1972 and, when he was freed at the end of last season, it seemed as if his first-class days really had come to an end.

Another well-known player on the move was former Swindon and Republic of Ireland international Ray Treacy, who has been loaned by Preston to Oldham Athletic. Treacy emerged with West Bromwich in the mid 'sixties, enjoying his best days after transferring to Charlton in 1968.

Treacy was on two occasions Charlton's top scorer before he moved on to Swindon for £35,000 in 1972. He was our top scorer, too, in his first season but then he made another move – to Preston for £30,000 – without again recovering his best scoring form.

An exchange deal between Blackburn and Huddersfield saw Barry Endean leave Ewood Park for Huddersfield, with Bobby Hoy going in the other direction. Endean, once a top scorer, with Watford, spent a year with Charlton before going to Blackburn in 1971. These days he usually plays in midfield.

Huddersfield manager Bobby Collins,

whose team is in a desperate position, also signed Derby defender John Turner who had earlier been on loan to Doncaster Rovers.

Malcolm Partridge, who didn't quite make the top grade with Leicester, is back in the Third Division again following his transfer to Grimsby Town. Partridge made a big hit in his Mansfield days but got only a handful of games in Leicester's First Division team.

Aldershot have also signed defender Neil Warnock from Scunthorpe United. Warnock began his career with Chesterfield and served Rotherham and Hartlepool on his way to Scunthorpe in 1972.

With money being so short, there was no traditional last-minute big-spending this year. Even the big stars found themselves going for bargain prices. Martin Peters, not long ago our first £200,000 player, left Tottenham for Norwich for £50,000.

Best bargain of all, perhaps, was Wolves' purchase of Scottish international mid-field man Willie Carr for £100,000. Coventry had turned down a £240,000 bid only five months earlier!

Total value of all major transfers this season came to approximately £6,500,000 – £1¼ million down on last season.

Plenty more transfer activity is anticipated at the end of the season. Most of it, alas, will be outgiving – with many a hopeful player having to say goodbye to a career in League football.

Almost every club in the country has announced its intention of cutting its staff. Several Third and Fourth Division clubs will be relying more on part-time players.

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P. Eastoe	38	19	1	5	5				
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F. Burrows	22(3 sub)	2	(1sub)	5		5			
J. Butler	26(2 sub)	2		5		1			
C. Prophett	33(1 sub)	1		5	1	1			
J. Allan	2					16			
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M. Thompson						14(4 sub)		17	2
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5. Burrows
6. Prophett
7. Moss
8. Jenkins
9. Eastoe
10. McLaughlin
11. Anderson
12. Dillon



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1. Tutt.
2. Penfold.
3. Warman
4. Kelly
5. Horsfield
6. Young
7. Flanagan
8. Hales
9. Hunt
10. Bowman
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