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says . . .

- Guts and spirit are what good teams need—last Saturday our boys showed that they have plenty of that commodity.
- Southend was the scene of a truly remarkable game of football. To come back from three goals down and level the score was joy to the eye. Skill, determination and pride were the ingredients that made this a truly fine performance.
- I would like to pay tribute to the supporters of Southend—they gave BOTH teams an ovation at the end of this very good game.
- We are hoping this week that all our players have recovered from the various injuries they have received, and that for the first time this season we shall have no late fitness tests to worry about.

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JIM ALLAN — Signed as an apprentice professional from Brora Rangers in 1970 and signed professional in 1971. He made his debut in the first team in September, 1971

WILFRED DIXON — Signed September, from Reading.

JOHN TROLLOPE — Joined the Club from school and has become its longest serving professional—signing in August, 1960. Since his League debut at the age of 16 he has made over 600 appearances for Swindon.

TERRY HUBBARD — Joined the Club as an apprentice professional—signed professional in 1969. He has now established himself as a regular first team and Welsh Under-23 player.

FRANK BURROWS — Joined Swindon from Scunthorpe United for whom he played 3 seasons. A strong defender who has made his mark in the first team. Regular member of promotion-winning side of season 1968/69. Played in Football League Cup Final winning team of Season 1968/69, and in Anglo-Italian Inter Club Competition winning team of season 1969/70.

KEN STROUD — Signed as an apprentice in 1967 and signed professional forms in 1970. This skillful player is rapidly becoming a contender for a first team place.

TOM JENKINS — Signed from Southampton in 1972 after Swindon had sold Don Rogers to Crystal Palace. Formerly

SWINDON TOWN

with Orient and Reading he also had a spell with Margate in the Southern League.

JOHN McLAUGHLIN — A former England Youth International. John joined Swindon from Colchester United in December, 1973.

PETER EASTOE — Signed for Swindon from Wolverhampton Wanderers in March, 1974 having joined Wolves as a boy. Played only 19 games last season during which time he became the Club's top goal scorer.

DAVID SYRETT — Joined the Club as an apprentice professional in July, 1972 and as a professional in November, 1973. During the past season he became a member of the first team squad and was also a member of the England Youth Team.

TREVOR ANDERSON — Joined Swindon from Manchester United in November, 1974. Trevor is a Northern Ireland International.

JOE BUTLER — Joined Swindon from Newcastle United in August, 1965. A tenacious player whose speed and ability amply make up for his lack of inches.

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COLIN TARTT

Full Name : Colin Tartt.

Birthplace : Liverpool.

Birthdate : 23rd November, 1950.

Height : 5ft. 11in.

Weight : 11st. 6lbs.

Previous Club : None.

Married : Yes.

Car : Capri.

Favourite Player : Ian Callaghan.

Favourite Other Team : Liverpool.

Most Difficult Opponent : Jimmy
Lawson.

Most Memorable Match : v. West
Ham United (F.A. Cup 3rd Round).

Biggest Thrill : Playing against West
Ham United.

Biggest Disappointment : Losing to
West Ham United.

Best Country Visited : Germany.

Favourite Food : Steak; Wife's York-
shire Pudding.

Miscellaneous Likes : All Sports;
Music.

Miscellaneous Dislikes : Being In-
jured; Officious Referees.

Favourite T.V. Shows : Main Chance;
Doctor On The Go.

Favourite Singers : The Carpenters;
The Drifters.

Favourite Actors/Actresses : Robin
Nedwell, Susan St. John.

Best Friend : David Harris

Biggest Influence on Career : Roy
Sproson.

Biggest Drag in Soccer : Losing.

Personal Ambition : To play regularly
in the First Division.

Professional Ambition : Promotion
with Port Vale.

*If you weren't a Footballer what do
you think you'd be :* Physical
Education Teacher.

*Which Person in the World would
you most like to meet :* Arthur
Ashe.



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Around the Vale



REG BERKS

ASSISTANT MANAGER & COACH

John Brodie . . . all the luck this boy gets seems to be bad luck . . . recovering from his broken leg, has worked really hard. Playing in a practice game this week he gets a cut eye, and needs 8 stitches! Keep going John, it will work out in the end.

John Connaughton bet Colin Tartt £5 that he would not score a goal this season . . . no need to say who won . . . pay up and smile Charlie".

All the lads are attending John Connaughton's wedding in Manchester.

A 'bus has been booked for this occasion . . . how's this for team spirit?

It was nice to receive another letter from Mr. M. J. Walker of Walton, in Chesterfield. It's wonderful to feel that we have fans who travel so far for home games.

I was talking to John Abberley from Radio Stoke this week; he tells me that he once wrote 134 words to describe kicking a football. What fan can beat that?

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PORT VALE - FACTS AND FIGURES

LEAGUE and CUP FIXTURES		SEASON 1975/76		Venue	Result	Attendance	Points Total	League Pos.
Aug.	16	Hereford United (LC1)	A	0-0	6,219	1	—	
	18	Preston North End	H	4-2	3,787	—	—	
	23	Hereford United (LC1)	H	1-1	4,282	2	—	
	27	Peterborough United	A	0-2	4,107	—	—	
	30	Hereford U. (LC1R) Shrews.	A	0-0	6,065	3	—	
Sept.	1	Brighton & Hove A.	H	0-1	3,289	4	—	
	6	Southend United	H	1-1	—	5	—	
	13	Swindon Town	H	3-3	—	—	14	
	20	Cardiff City	H	—	—	—	—	
	22	Wrexham	H	—	—	—	—	
	27	Crystal Palace	H	—	—	—	—	
Oct.	4	Gillingham	H	—	—	—	—	
	11	Chesterfield	H	—	—	—	—	
	18	Shrewsbury Town	A	—	—	—	—	
	21	Colchester United	A	—	—	—	—	
	25	Rotherham United	A	—	—	—	—	
Nov.	1	Aldershot	A	—	—	—	—	
	3	Sheffield Wednesday	A	—	—	—	—	
	8	Chester	H	—	—	—	—	
	15	F.A. Cup (1)	H	—	—	—	—	
	22	Millwall	H	—	—	—	—	
	29	Walsall	H	—	—	—	—	
Dec.	6	Grimsby Town	H	—	—	—	—	
	20	Halifax Town	A	—	—	—	—	
	26	Bury	H	—	—	—	—	
	27	Manstfield Town	H	—	—	—	—	
Jan.	3	Peterborough	H	—	—	—	—	
	10	Swindon Town	H	—	—	—	—	
	17	Southend United	H	—	—	—	—	
	24	Shrewsbury Town	H	—	—	—	—	
Feb.	31	Aldershot	H	—	—	—	—	
	7	Sheffield Wed.	A	—	—	—	—	
	14	Chester	H	—	—	—	—	
	21	Cardiff City	H	—	—	—	—	
	25	Colchester U. (LCF)	A	—	—	—	—	
Mar.	28	Rotherham United	A	—	—	—	—	
	9	Crystal Palace	A	—	—	—	—	
	13	Gillingham	A	—	—	—	—	
	17	Chesterfield	A	—	—	—	—	
	20	Millwall	A	—	—	—	—	
	27	Walsall	A	—	—	—	—	
	30	Grimsby Town	A	—	—	—	—	
Apr.	3	Hereford United	H	—	—	—	—	
	5	Wrexham	H	—	—	—	—	
	10	Brighton & Hove A.	H	—	—	—	—	
	17	Halifax Town	H	—	—	—	—	
	19	Bury	H	—	—	—	—	
	20	Manstfield Town	H	—	—	—	—	
	24	Preston North End	H	—	—	—	—	

Port Vale Supporters Club

All supporters must be wondering when our local "Quizball" Competition is going to start. However, we regret to inform all interested parties that it will be held in abeyance until next season for two reasons:—

- (1) The loss of Roy Cope from our Sub-Committee, and the business pressures on Chris Harper and myself.
- (2) The fact that last year's winners—"The Placemate"—went on to win the National Federation Trophy and so automatically represent us this season.

We hoped to run a "Mastermind of Soccer" Competition but again lack of time to organise such an event, and compiling rules and questions would only have created a hurried and disappointed competition, which we were anxious to avoid.

"The Placemate" team have been studying twice weekly from the new "Rothmans Handbook" ready to defend their Trophy which is now on display at "The Placemate".

Following its success last season, this year's National Federation "Quizball" should attract nearly double last year's entries of 44, and with the incentive placed on the Vale representatives to retain their Trophy all opposing teams will be out to dethrone them.

This year the team have lost Arthur Buckley and Peter James (who has departed for South Africa), but we hear that their replacements are more knowledgeable on soccer topics—this we must see.

So look out for more news about the National Quiz when their first match should be on a home and away basis to another local team.

JIM FRAIN, Secretary — Telephone 811537.

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A maintenance engineer, he is married with two children and is interested in coaching and training young players, all sports, photography and working with young people—he is a qualified youth leader.

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- 1 JOHN CONNAUGHTON
- 2 COLIN TARTT
- 3 GARRY DULSON
- 4 DAVID HARRIS
- 5 JOHN RIDLEY
- 6 BRIAN HORTON
- 7 TOMMY McLAREN
- 8 DEREK BROWNBILL
- 9 MICK CULLERTON
- 10 TERRY BAILEY
- 11 RAY WILLIAMS
- 12

Manager : ROY SPROSON

SWINDON TOWN

(Red & White)

- 1 JIM ALLAN
- 2 WILF DIXON
- 3 JOHN TROLLOPE
- 4 TERRY HUBBARD
- 5 FRANK BURROWS
- 6 KENNY STROUD
- 7 TOM JENKINS
- 8 JOHN McLOUGHLIN
- 9 PETER EASTOE
- 10 DAVID SYRETT
- 11 TREVOR ANDERSON
- 12

Manager : DANNY WILLIAMS

Referee :—

Mr. H. R. ROBINSON, Norwich

Linesmen :—

Mr. D. I. BUCKLEY, Codsall
(Orange Flag)

Mr. R. EARPS, St. Helens
(Red Flag)

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Saturday, 20th September, 1975

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- G | MILLWALL
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