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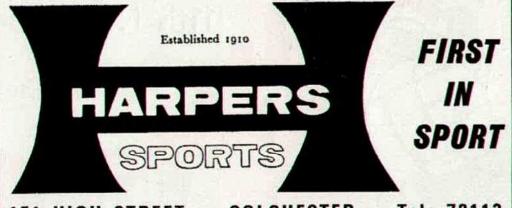


Tonight sees Swindon Town here at Layer Road—a very attractive side and one that certainly can extend the best of defences on their day.

With very good forwards such as Moss, Kamara, Anderson and Guthrie, it goes without saying that our defence tonight will have to be very much on their toes to stop Danny Williams' boys taking the spoils.

With the League so evenly balanced every point picked up is a bonus and we must be very determined to make sure that we collect from this, another very important home match.

Our last home game against Peterborough was a very entertaining affair and as Swindon are in the same mould we hope you, our supporters, will be thoroughly entertained again tonight.



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- 5. Mick PACKER
- 6. Steve DOWMAN
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- 9. John FROGGATT
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- 4. John McLAUGHLIN
- 5. Steve AIZLEWOOD
- 6. Colin PROPHETT
- 7. Dave MOSS
- 8. Kenny STROUD
- 9. Chris KAMARA
- 10. Ray McHALE
- 11. Trevor ANDERSON
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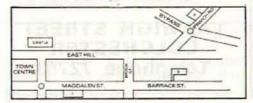
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CLEM STEPHENSON

We often hear of players who lost many of their best years to the Second World War, men like Tommy Lawton, Raich Carter and Stanley Matthews. Today we look back to a man who lost many of his best years to the First World War, Clem Stephenson, who still managed to achieve outstanding success with two of the great teams of the day, Aston Villa and Huddersfield Town.

A native of Seaton Delaval in Northumberland, Clem was signed by Aston Villa early this century and after a spell with Stourbridge, then their nursery club in the Birmingham League, he made his first team début and scored his first League goal in the Villa team that finished runners-up in Division One in 1910-11. Two years later he was helping them to an F.A. Cup win when they beat a team from near his native heath, namely Sunderland, in the final at Crystal Palace.

A season later he helped them to the runners-up position in the League again and the semi-final of the F.A. Cup and though the First World War intervened soon after that he was seen to have lost none of his ability when "normal" football was resumed in 1919-20. In fact that was his best ever season as far as goalscoring was concerned as he cracked home 28

goals in 39 games. What's more he won his second F.A. Cup winners' medal, again after a final decided by the only goal of the game as Villa beat Huddersfield at Stamford Bridge.

Soon after this Villa seemed to have decided that his best days were passing and after some behind the scenes difficulties in connection with the fact that he lived some distance away from Birmingham, he was allowed to move. This was where the shrewd judgment of the legendary Herbert Chapman came in for the then manager of Huddersfield Town quickly snapped him up and gave him a key role in the team, playing deeper than he had usually done at Villa Park and utilising fully his tremendously accurate passing.

Soon incredibly, Clem was helping Huddersfield to an F.A. Cup win to give him the unique record of having played both against them and for them in two finals within three years. On both occasions he ended up on the winning side and on each occasion the score was 1-0, the 1922 final (the last ever played at Stamford Bridge) being won by Billy Smith's famous penalty against Preston.

Even greater things were to follow for Clem was a key figure in the Huddersfield side that went on to win three successive League championships between 1923 and 1926, his left wing partnership with Billy Smith being reckoned by writers of that age as one of the finest they have ever known. Yet Clem, like many outstanding players before and since, was almost totally ignored by the England selectors, playing just once against Wales in 1924.

For the latter part of his career he was captain of Huddersfield, who were undoubtedly one of the finest club sides of all time. By the time he retired in 1929 he had played in 438 League games and had scored 127 goals. He tried his hand as manager for a time after Herbert Chapman had moved on to Arsenal, but with limited success.

This does not, however, detract from the playing record of one of the greatest men to wear a number 10 shirt and of whom Charlie Buchan (now sadly, like Clem, departed this life) once said that he was a player who produced his best form every game—and when one realises that he played 190 for Aston Villa and 248 for Huddersfield (plus many more "unofficial" games during the war years) this is testimony indeed.

Match Ball



We extend our sincere thanks to the Essex Telegraph Press Ltd., Colchester for kindly donating the match ball for tonight's game.

WELCOME... Swindon Town

Swindon's results this season have been a little unbalanced in as much as they have not yet won a League match away from home, but have lost only once (to Bradford City) at home. Maybe, therefore, there will be no repeat of the topsy-turvy events of a couple of years ago when we beat them at Swindon, but then lost to them here.

They are just below us in the League table with both sides hopeful of closing the gap between themselves and the teams making the running at the top. So few points separate so many teams at the moment that today's results can make a vast difference to both teams.

Though they have fallen away a little since, Swindon's opening to the season was one of their brightest since their remarkable 1968-69 promotion and League Cup win. This was the beginning of their third spell in Division Two since their entry into the Football League in 1920, and it lasted until 1974. Since then they have had mixed fortunes, just missing promotion, then just escaping relegation and last season rallying in the last few weeks to reach mid-table after slumping after a good start.

NEW SIGNINGS

Manager Danny Williams, now in his second spell with the club, was active in the transfer market. Whilst selling Dave Syrett (who got the winner here two years ago) he signed Chris Guthrie (the subject of a six-

figure transfer fee not so long ago when going from Southend to Sheffield United) to boost the attack. Chris Kamara, another striker, was signed from Portsmouth while defender Andy Ford and midfielder Dave Cunningham both moved in from Southend.

Both Kamara and Guthrie have scored freely this season in a forward line that has chalked up 28 League and cup goals at home, but only nine awa.

One of the features of the whole team is the wing-play of a fairly orthodox, "old-fashioned" type by Trevor Anderson (ex Manchester United) and David Moss, a local lad. Ray McHale (signed from Chesterfield last season) has joined the goal-scoring spreee from midfield and even defenders John Trollope and Steve Aizlewood, the Welsh Under-23 man, who came from Newport last saason, have also found the net.

John is something of a legend in his own lifetime, with over 700 League appearances since making his début as a 16-year-old in 1960. With cup games his tally is over 800 and he could, with normal luck, overtake the all-time records of Terry Paine and Jimmy Dickenson.

Partnering John we shall probably be seeing John McLaughlin, who moved from us in 1973 and has subsequently moved back from midfield while at the heart of the defence Steve Aizlewood's partner is the experienced Colin Prophett, now in his fourth season after previous service with Sheffield United and Norwich.

Ken Stroud, a home-grown player of several years experience is likely to be with Ray McHale in midfield, while behind the back four goalkeeper Jimmy Allan, who made his début in 1971, after coming south from a Scottish junior side, has made the position his own in the past couple of seasons.



Back row: M. French, K. Stroud, R. Brinkworth, R. Lewis, A. Gilligan, P. Collicutt.

Middle row: J. Allan, J. Trollope, C. Prophett, C. Kamara, C. Guthrie, S. Aizlewood, A. Ford, K. Roberts.

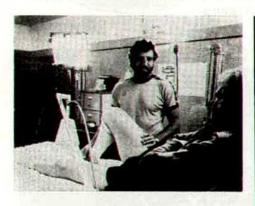
Front row: D. Moss, D. Cunningham, J. McLaughlin, T. Anderson, R. McHale, H. Goddard.



GERRY HARRISON REPORTS

(Anglia T.V.'s "Match of the Week" Commentator)





(Standing) Mike Varney with Ian Moores.

The football fortunes of Bobby Svarc and John Peddelty, both players who are well known and admired in East Anglia, highlights the precariousness of living as a professional footballer.

John Peddelty was transferred to Plymouth as part of the deal which brought Paul Mariner to Ipswich. This season he received a knock on the head against Sheffield Wednesday which left him with concussion. A neurologist advised him to give up the game after examining him. John, of course, has had a couple of head injuries before he left Ipswich and since joining Plymouth has suffered

from concussion a few times. He recently sought a second opinion from a London neurologist but there will have to be a dramatic change of thought by the medical world and by John if he is to play again ever.

Bobby Svarc, who joined Jim Smith at Blackburn from Colchester, had a a cartilage removed from his knee ten months ago. He went on loan to Watford recently, got a bad blow on the knee which severely damaged the ligaments. After examining his knee the surgeon wouldn't agree even to open it up. He must definitely retire from the game.

Svarc is 31, Peddelty 23—another two players added to what appears to be a growing list of professionals who are forced out of the game through injury. A breakdown of the number of players whose careers have been ended in injury was collected by Harry Harris and Mike Varney in their book "The Treatment of Football Injuries" (MacDonald and Jane's London, £2.95).

In the last four years 104 players have been forced into early retirement. Svarc's example is much more common than Peddelty's. Sixty-three of those 104 have had knee trouble. Sixteen have had ankle injuries. Five have had head injuries and that includes eye damage. Broken legs have accounted for only five of that total.

Mike Varney is the physiotherapist at Tottenham Hotspur. "Knees are the most vulnerable because of the nature of the game. Football is a game of twists and turns, short sharp movements and, of course, a lot of physical contact. On top of that the studs in the boots lock the foot in the ground as a turn is made which all puts extra strain on the joints".

In his interesting book, Mike gives a lot of tips to players who are not fortunate enough to enjoy the sophisticated treatment offered to the players of top class clubs. And one of the best therapies is ICE...

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But if you want more of those sort of tips you'll have to read the book. As the authors mention one of the sensitive areas of professional football is insurance and compensation—both of them largely inadequate.

Take Svarc's case. He will eventually get £750 personal benefit. The club will be compensated for his loss only if it is proved that he was put out of the game by that one blow which damaged the ligaments. If it turns out to be wearand tear over a period of years, they won't get a penny.

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Teams of the Past

GLOSSOP NORTH END

Not many teams no longer in League Football had the distinction of winning promotion to Division One. Few moreover, supplied any international players. Yet, though there may be few people still living who actually saw Glossop in action in the Football League, it can be clearly seen from their record that their 17-year League history had a fair proportion of success.

Founded in 1890, they were elected to Division Two in 1896, when that division was increased from sixteen to eighteen clubs, Barnsley being the other new club.

Playing on a ground in North Road Glossop, and wearing black and white striped shirts and white shorts, the newcomers made a great start by beating Blackpool 4-1 in their opening match and throughout the season they lost only twice at home, to Leicester Fosse and to Manchester City, who topped the division. In fact, Glossop's outstansing performance of the season was in the return match at Maine Road when they won 2-0 and they deservedly finished as runners-up.

They thus won promotion at the end of their first-ever season in the Football League.

On the evidence of their first match in Division One, a 2-0 win over Burnley it seemed that they might well make the grade in Division One, but two days later they crashed 9-0 at Villa Park and from then on it was a fight against the odds. They failed to win a single away match all season and with only 31 goals and 18 points to show for their

efforts they finished bottom, nine points behind Burnley, the team which went down with them.

Back in Division Two, however, they were a useful side for several years. In their first season back there, they finished as high as fifth after conceding only 33 goals in 34 games. Though they finished next to bottom in 1903-4 they easily gained re-election.

Glossop were near mid-table for the next few seasons and then came a disastrous 1914-15 season when football struggled on in the first year of the World War. An 11-1 defeat at Birmingham at the beginning of January underlined that the West Midlands was not their happiest hunting ground. Their final points tally was a mere 18.

Sadly that was the end of League Football in Glossop, for they did not compete in the wartime competitions and when normal League Football was resumed in 1919 they did not apply for re-election.

SWINDON THROUGH THE YEARS

Alf and John Stephens who played for Swindon just after the war are one of three instances of twins playing in the same League team at the same time. Both scored in the games against Exeter in September, 1946.

John Trollope, still happily going strong in the current Swindon team made his League début at the age of sixteen in August, 1960. Soon he found himself playing opposite 17-year-old Tony Wolleen to form the youngest pair of full-backs ever to play in the Football League.

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Tue.	Aug.	23	Bradford City	3	0	Froggatt, Gough, Leslie
Sat.	Aug.	27	Chester		0	Gough (2)
Fri.	Sept.	2	Tranmere Rovers	0	1	
Fri.	Sept.	9	Plymouth Argyle	3	1	Williams, Gough, Dowman
Tue.	Sept.	13	Portsmouth	0	0	
Sat.	Sept.	17	Rotherham Utd.	0	1	
Sat.	Sept.	24	Preston N.E.	0	0	_
Tue.			Port Vale	2	3	Gough, Garwood
Sat.	Oct.	1	Carlisle Utd.	2	1	Garwood (2), Gough
Wed	Oct	-5	Chesterfield	0	0	_
Sat.	Oct.	8	Hereford Utd.	0	0	
Fri.	Oct.	14	Oxford Utd.	1	1	Foley
Sat.	Oct.	22	Cambridge Utd.	0	2	-
Fri.	Oct.	28	Peterborough Utd.	3	0	Allinson, Packer, Gough
Sat.	Nov.	5	Walsall	2	4	Allinson, Garwood
Fri.	Nov.	11	Swindon Town		100	
Sat.	Nov.	19	Wrexham	1		
Sat.	Dec.	3	Sheffield Wed.			
Fri.	Dec.	9	Exeter City			
Mon.	Dec.	26	Lincoln City			
Tue.	Dec.	27	Bury			
Sat.	Dec.	31	Shrewsbury Town			The state of the s
Mon.	Jan.	2	Walsall			The state of the s
Sat.	Jan.	7	Bradford City (3)		1	
Fri.	Jan.	13	Gillingham		1	
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Fri.	Jan.	27	Tranmere R. (4)			
Sat.	Feb.	4	Plymouth Argyle			
Sat.	Feb.	11	Rotherham Utd.	100		TANK A
Sat.	Feb.	18	Preston N.E. (5)	1	1	
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Mon	. Apr.	24	Port Vale			and the second
Sat.	Apr.	29	Sheffield Wed.			

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Sat. Aug. 13	Aldershot	1	1	Gough	2,574
Tue. Aug. 16	(F.L.1-1st leg) Aldershot (F.L. 1-2nd leg)	4	1	Howett (og), Dow- man, Froggatt (2)	3,360
Wed. Aug. 31	Blackburn (F.L2)	1	1	Garwood	6,193
Wed. Sept. 7	Blackburn (F.L-,2 Replay)	4	0	Gough (2), Allinson, Garwood	5,843
Wed, Oct. 26	Leeds (F.L3)	0	4	-	17,713
Sat. Nov. 26	Bournemouth F.A. Cup 1				

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HOW THE GAME HAS DEVELOPED

BOOKINGS AND SENDINGS OFF

As long as there have been referees, so long have their powers included that of being able to order a player from the field in the event of serious misconduct.

By the end of the last century, law 13 read: "A referee shall be appointed, whose duties shall be to enforce the laws and decide all disputed points . . . In the event of any ungentlemanly conduct on the part of any of the players, the offender or offenders shall be cautioned, and if the offence is repeated, or in the case of violent conduct without any previous action, the referee shall have power to order the offending player or players off the field of play and shall transmit the name or names of such player or players to his or their National Association, who shall deal with the matter".

In those days a caution was what it literally said it was—a warning that persistence in the sort of conduct for which he is being warned will result in his dismissal. By the time of the second World War, this warning was often backed up by an actual taking of the player's name. In such cases he would receive a letter some days later warning him of the dire consequences of further offences.

It was extrmely rare for players to be suspended on the strength of a booking alone and when this happened it came as a shock to all concerned. It is only in the last ten years that bookings have been reckoned up statistically with a view to a player being suspended when it is clear that he has committed several offences. At one time it was after three bookings that he was suspended, but in the last few years a complicated system of penalty points has evolved. Minor offences such as deliberate hands count just one point against a player while a serious foul (though not serious enough to merit a sending off) brings with it four penalty points. Then when his tally reaches 20 he is liable to suspension.

This means, in fact, that the larger number of players suspended have not actually been sent off. On the other hand a player sent off incurs the addition of a range of penalty points depending on the offence and he may escape suspension altogether if this addition does not take his total past the 20 mark.

There are certain offences that do carry automatic suspension however, and in addition it may be noted that in European competition a sending-off for whatever reason brings an automatic suspension from the next match. All of which makes soccer discipline very complicated and it has been made rather theatrical as well in the past two seasons with the introduction of the continental system of red and yellow cards displayed by the referee for sendings-off and bookings respectively.

POINT OF CONTROVERSY

The recent transfer of Brian Flynn from Burnley to Leeds at a time when the Turf Moor side are struggling near the bottom of Division Two in serious danger of going down to Division Three for the first time in their history, underlines what must be a matter of some concern to soccer fans from a far wider area than the immediate confines of Birmingham. For it seems that Burnley's policy of discovering their own talent and balancing their books by the occasional sale of players may be in some danger of failing for the first time ever.

Their record is a truly remarkable one in that since being one of the founder members of the Football League in 1888, they have spent no fewer than fifty seasons in Division One and yet have only once spent a six-figure fee on a player. This was for Preston's Tony Morley in 1973. Tony had bad luck with injuries.

GALAXY OF TALENT

Even in the post-war boom years, Burnley's attendances from a limited catchment area were low by the standards of the day and in more recent years they have gone only a fraction of the way towards balancing their expenditure. It is therefore rather sad to see their present League position at a time when almost a team of former players are making their mark with other clubs in Division One. While Dave Thomas and Martin Dobson are helping Everton establish themselves and Leighton James is the subject of a

massive deal between Derby and Q.P.R. Ray Hankin is getting the goals for Leeds. Steve Kindon, a little unsettled at Wolves, may soon be the subject of a transfer deal.

STRUGGLE

The current side at Turf Moor, managed now by one of the more senior of Football League managers, Harry Potts, a former player there, have a sizeable task ahead as they strive to climb away from relegation danger. They are striving to do so with two relatively major purchases, goalkeeper Alan Stevenson and striker Paul Fletcher, though the combined fees for these players was slightly under £100,000, bargain signings in the vastly experienced Keith Newton and Peter Noble and a whole host of up and coming young players.

The circle at the moment is just a little vicious in as much as if they have little or no success for the remainder of the season, gates are likely to drop even below the present 8,000 to 9,000 average and the more gates drop the sooner they may have to see another player.

For come what may, Burnley are not a club to plunge into the red to build a team or even to hold a team together. This insistence on solvency, allied as it is to an all-out drive to develop rather than purchase players, has about it a primitive purity that most of the football world readily warms to. We shall be watching hopefully for an upsurge in their results in the next few weeks.



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APPEARANCES & GOALSCORERS (FACTS & FIGURES)

Up to and including Saturday, 5th November, 1977

						League	Cup	F.A. Cup
Allinson						16	5	
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Bunkell						13	3	
Cook						16	5	ABLT = TOTAL
Dowman						16	5	
Dyer						6	1	10 A 17 1
Foley						6	2	-
Froggatt						16	5	
Garwood			9.8		- 1	15	5	-
Gough						16	5	The last of the la
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Packer						15	5	_
Walker						16	5	_
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Scorers:

League: Gough (8), Garwood (4), Allinson (2), Foley (2), Packer (2), Froggatt, Leslie, Dowman, Williams (one each).

League Cup: Gough (3), Froggatt (2), Garwood (2), Dowman, Allinson (one each), one own goal.

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JUNIOR U'S NEWS

Well we've achieved something really special this week . . . we've gone international.

Yes, we've had our first two members join from abroad, Italy in fact. Their Mum used to live in Colchester and she has a paper sent to her every week so she can follow the local happenings and especially what is happening to United, so she decided to fill in the forms in the Colchester Express and join up her two sons.

Membership now stands at 110—which is really marvellous.

Our next big event is to be a Christmas party—and we are going to make it a good one. I hope very soon to be able to tell you the date of it so that you can all make sure that you make the date available.

And I haven't forgotten that we will be having some football practice during the Christmas holidays and then we can talk about starting a team maybe. That would involve us getting the help of some of your Mums and Dads and we would need money for strip and so forth. It needs lots of thinking about and planning.

Anyway, that's for the future.

For the time being just you keep supporting our team. Up the U's.

EAGLE.

P.S.: If you want to join the Junior U's see your *Colchester Express* every Wednesday.

NEXT IN TOWN

It's F.A. Cup time again and we have an attractive draw in the first round proper on Saturday, 26th November. It brings A.F.C. Bournemouth to Layer Road for a tie that should pull in a big crowd.

There is always something special about the Cup and we will be hoping to have some thrills as Derby County provided last season.

Fourth Division, Bournemouth are invariably tough opposition and we have had many sterling clashes with them in the past. Last season in Division Four we collected three points, scoring no goals at Dean Court and winning 1-0 here.

Bournemouth, managed by John Hanson, are not setting the Fourth Division alight so far, but they have some talented performers, not the least their main close season capture, Derek Showers from Cardiff City who cost £5,000. Showers has scored some useful goals and got the winner in Bournemouth's one away win to date at Hartlepool.

In the League Cup, Bournemouth showed their capabilities when ousting Hereford United after a replay and then going down only 2-0 to Q.P.R. at Loftus Road.

Other names include Jack Howarth, the former Aldershot stalwart striker, Peter Johnson ex Crystal Palace and Frank Barton who used to be with Grimsby Town. Barton was last season's leading scorer with twelve.

Stuart Morgan is no longer at Dean Court, of course, but the Cherries will provide no easy ride. It's a Cup tie you cannot afford to miss.

WITH THE RESERVES AND YOUTH

After a 2-0 defeat at Wisbech, where Bobby Hunt reckoned a point should have been picked up, the reserves bounced back to make further Magnet and Planet League progress. They defeated Gothic 4-2 here last week. Two more goals from bright hope Phil Hopkins were a feature. Johnny Williams also scored and the other went to Tony Evans. Given a game and making a useful début was Wayne Billington from Tiptree.

The reserves have surprised a lot of people this season with some fine results and are right with the leading bunch.

Tomorrow the reserves Magnet and Planet League game against Lowestoft Town has been switched from Lowestoft to Layer Road (2.30 p.m.). Lowestoft are the leaders and one of the most powerful sides in the League; this will be one of the highlights of the reserves programme. Lowestoft have reached the first round of the F.A. Cup and are at home to Cambridge United.

Our Youth side unfortunately made their exit from the F.A. Youth Cup beaten 1-0 by Watford at Watford on Monday night.

In this first round tie the powerful Watford side were too good for our lads and scored the winner through Young just before half time.

Did you know?

In the match against Southend in November, 1949, six goals were disallowed, all for offside. Swindon finally drew the game 2-2.

I'M IN CHARGE Today's Referee

Mr. Darryl V. Reeves (Uxbridge) started refereeing in 1961 and went onto the League list via local leagues and the Spartan and Isthmian Leagues.

He was in charge of the 1973 Oxford versus Cambridge University match at Wembley.

Mr. Reeves is married with two children and is a manager in the textile trade. His home interests include interior decorating and gardening.

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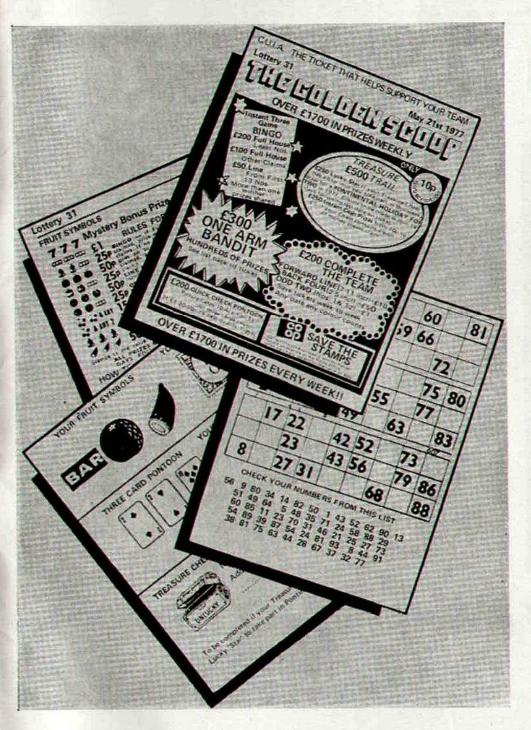


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					Go	als	
	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Wrexham	16	8	5	3	25	16	21
Shrewsbury	16	8	4	4	33	22	20
Tranmere	16	8	3	5	25	15	19
Preston	16	6	7	3	16	13	19
Gillingham	16	6	6	4	29	25	18
Rotherham	16	6	6	4	23	21	18
Cambridge	16	7	4	5	23	22	18
Peterboro'	16	6	6	4	13	14	18
United	16	6	5	5	22	15	17
Exeter	16	7	3	6	21	18	17
Walsall	16	5	7	4	18	17	17
Bury	16	5	7	4	17	19	17
Swindon	16	6	4	6	27	22	16
Oxford	16	6	4	6	23	21	16
Chesterfield	16	6	3	7	15	16	15
Plymouth	16	4	6	6	18	21	14

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