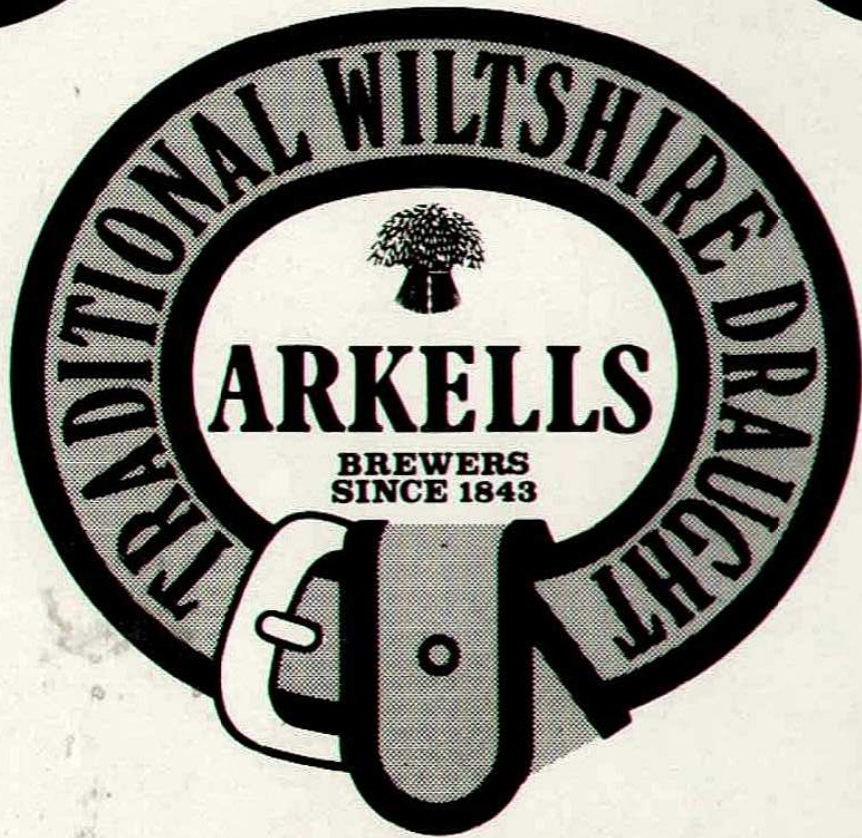
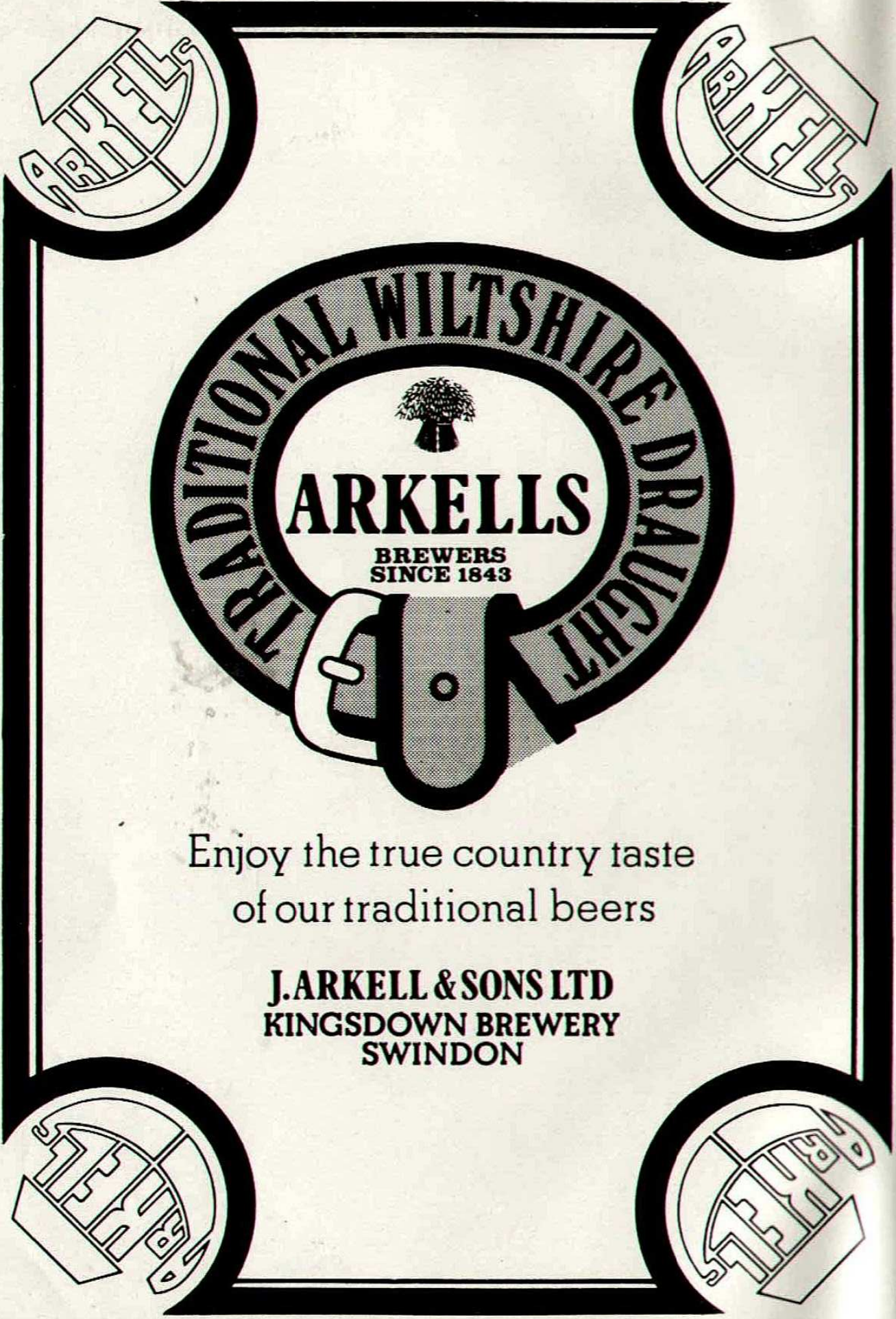


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Bob Smith says.....

Another convincing win for us on Saturday and I am sure this will have been well received by all. The good thing from my point of view was not only the performance by the whole team, but the performance of both Steve Abley and Glenn Cockerill who were making their home debut. This again can only go well for the future to have two young players of their ability fighting for a first team place, and this will be the case in pre season for next season when all the players at the club will be contesting for a place for the first game of the season. Other changes will be made before the end of the season to enable me to look at different players in readiness for our campaign next term.

I don't want to go into too much detail about the Gillingham side, suffice to say that if you keep playing football, this is the best way of obtaining the win which both teams were seeking.

Again, I must praise the support in our last two home games, seven and a half thousand against Rotherham, followed by nine thousand for the Gillingham match, and I think this shows a value for money football we have been playing at home in the last two seasons, but not only numbers it is also the vocal encouragement that myself and the players appreciate and you have all certainly played your part this season.

I have been asked by the Club Secretary to remind you all that the Club's Annual Dinner Dance will be taking place on 6 May at the Wiltshire Hotel, and anyone requiring a ticket should apply as soon as possible.

Let's hope it is a good home win against Colchester United, who at the moment, seem to have just missed out once again for promotion but credit must go to their manager and players for getting this far on such a small squad of players.

Again, thank you for your support.



NEXT MATCH

Tuesday 29th April 1980

DIVISION III

MILLWALL

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RESULTS

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FIXTURES

Aug	11	Portsmouth (L.Cup 1-Leg 1)	A	1-1
	14	Portsmouth (L.Cup 1-Leg 2)	H	2-0
	18	Sheffield Utd.	A	1-2
	21	Reading	H	0-0
	25	Brentford	H	4-0
	28	Chester (L.Cup 2 - Leg 1)	H	1-0
	31	Colchester	A	3-2
Sep.	5	Chester (L.Cup 2 - Leg 2)	A	1-1
	8	Rotherham Utd.	A	0-3
	15	Chesterfield	H	2-1
	18	Chester	H	3-1
	21	Sheffield W.	A	2-4
	26	Stoke City (L.Cup - 3)	A	2-2
	29	Grimsby Town	H	3-0
Oct.	2	Stoke City (L.Cup 3) replay	H	2-1
	6	Hull City	H	0-0
	10	Reading	A	1-2
	13	Wimbledon	A	0-2
	20	Southend Utd.	H	1-0
	23	Plymouth A	H	2-1
	27	Blackpool	A	1-0
	30	Wimbledon (L.Cup - 4)	A	2-1
Nov.	3	Sheffield Utd.	H	3-2
	6	Plymouth A	A	0-2
	10	Mansfield T.	A	1-1
	17	Blackburn Rovers	H	2-0
	24	Brentford (F.A. Cup 1)	H	4-1
Dec.	1	Gillingham	A	0-0
	4	Arsenal (L.C.6)	A	1-1
	8	Bury	H	8-0
	11	Arsenal (L.C. 5) replay	H	4-3
	18	Torquay (F.A. Cup 2)	A	3-3
	22	Torquay (F.A. Cup 2) replay	H	3-2
	26	Exeter City	H	2-3
	29	Brentford	A	3-1

1980

Jan.	5	Luton Town (F.A. Cup) 3	A	2-0
	12	Barnsley	A	2-1
	22	Wolverhampton W (FLC-Semi F Leg 1)	H	2-1
	26	Tottenham H. (F.A.Cup 4)	H	0-0
	29	Tottenham H (FA Cup 4 - replay)	A	1-2
Feb.	6	Oxford Utd.	A	2-2
	9	Sheffield Weds.	H	1-2
	12	Wolverhampton W (FLC-Semi F-Leg 2)	A	1-3
	16	Grimsby Tn.	A	0-2
	23	Wimbledon	H	2-1
	29	Southend Utd.	A	0-1
Mar.	4	Millwall	A	2-6
	8	Blackpool	H	2-1
	11	Carlisle Utd.	H	0-0
	14	Hull City	A	0-1
	19	Chester	A	0-1
	22	Mansfield Town	H	2-1
	25	Chesterfield	A	1-2
	29	Blackburn Rovers	A	0-2
April	5	Exeter City	A	1-4
	7	Oxford United	H	1-1
	12	Carlisle United	A	2-1
	15	Rotherham	H	6-2
	19	Gillingham	H	3-0
	22	Colchester Utd.	H	
	26	Bury	A	
	29	Millwall	H	
May	3	Barnsley	H	

football combination

Aug	18	H	BRISTOL CITY	0-4
	20	A	Luton Town	1-1
	25	A	Oxford Utd.	1-4
Sept.	1	A	Norwich City	0-3
	8	H	BRISTOL ROV.	0-1
	12	A	Reading	1-2
	22	H	CHELSEA	0-2
	27	A	Cardiff City	1-5
	29	A	Hereford Utd.	3-1
Oct	2	A	Leicester City	0-1
	9	H	LUTON TOWN	1-1
	13	H	ORIENT	1-0
	20	A	Tottenham H	0-4
	23	A	Crystal Palace	0-1
	27	H	SOUTHAMPTON	2-2
Nov	3	A	Bristol City	2-3
	10	H	PLYMOUTH A.	5-3
	17	A	Birmingham C.	2-0
Dec	5	H	ARSENAL	2-5
	18	H	WEST HAM UTD.	3-1
	20	H	IPSWICH TOWN	0-0
	29	H	OXFORD UTD.	3-0
Jan	5	H	Q.P.R.	3-2
	29	A	Bristol Rov.	5-0
Feb	2	H	CARDIFF CITY	1-0
	16	H	HEREFORD UTD.	1-2
	23	A	Orient	1-1
	26	A	Plymouth A.	0-1
Mar	1	H	TOTTENHAM H.	0-1
	8	A	Southampton	1-0
	14	H	LEICESTER CITY	4-2
	25	H	NORWICH CITY	1-2
	29	H	BIRMINGHAM CITY	0-6
Apr	2	A	Ipswich Town	1-2
	5	H	CRYSTAL PALACE	1-2
	19	A	West Ham Utd.	1-3
	23	A	Chelsea	
	26	H	FULHAM	
May	3	A	Arsenal	

midland youth

Aug	20	A	West Bromwich A.	1-0
	30	H	LEICESTER CITY	5-2
Sep	5	A	Wolves	1-1
	13	H	DERBY CO.	2-1
Oct	3	H	BIRMINGHAM CITY	2-2
	11	A	Derby Co.	0-2
	25	A	Luton Town	0-1
Nov	14	H	NORTHAMPTON TOWN	3-0
	21	A	Birmingham City	0-0
Jan	10	H	BRISTOL CITY	1-1
Feb	5	A	Leicester City	2-1
	18	A	Northampton Town	2-2
	27	A	Bristol City	1-0
Mar	6	H	WOLVES	1-2
	20	H	COVENTRY CITY	0-1
Apr	3	A	Coventry City	2-2
	16	H	LUTON TOWN	2-2
	24	H	WEST BROMWICH A.	

south-east counties

Aug	18	H	CRYSTAL PALACE	2-0
Sep	1	H	CAMBRIDGE UTD.	4-2
	15	H	WIMBLEDON	2-3
	22	A	Peterborough Utd.	0-0
	29	H	BRISTOL ROV.	6-0
Oct	6	A	Charlton Ath.	5-0
	13	H	CHELSEA	3-1
	20	A	Cambridge Utd.	1-1
	27	H	CHARLTON ATH.	2-1
Nov	17	A	Crystal Palace	1-2
	24	H	PETERBOROUGH UTD.	3-1
Dec	1	A	Reading	0-1
	8	H	WEST HAM UTD.	3-1
Jan	5	A	Oxford Utd.	2-0
	12	A	West Ham Utd.	1-2
	26	H	TOTTENHAM H.	2-1
Feb	2	H	OXFORD UTD.	3-0
	9	A	Chelsea	2-0
	16	A	Tottenham H.	3-1
	23	A	Wimbledon	2-0
Apr	7	H	READING	2-1
	9	A	Bristol Rov.	3-3



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Talk of the Town by the Chairman

We are pleased to welcome the Players and Officials from Colchester United this evening. Colchester have had a very good season indeed and at one time looked a good candidate for promotion but have slipped up recently. Blackburn Rovers, Sheffield Wednesday and Grimsby Town seem firm favourites at the moment, although Chesterfield are still in with a chance.

I have received a letter from a football supporter who has asked for our Club support to a protest at Parliament level against ticket touts selling tickets above face value. This is a very troublesome problem which the Football League have been trying to get to grips with for many years. Each club has its own ways of trying to deal with this problem and we at Swindon keep a record of the ticket numbers and to whom they are sold when it comes to the allocation of Cup Final tickets which are obviously limited in number. This trouble also crops up at grounds where games are made all ticket and until the Law is changed prohibiting the sale of tickets above the face value, I cannot see it ending. The writer is campaigning to collect signatures that can be presented to their Member of Parliament in a call to do just that. I am sure that if the Public feel strongly enough about this curse of our society, then to collect signatures would be no trouble. If you feel that this is a cause worth taking up, please phone in or write to me care of the Ground and we can soon organize a petition of signatures.

Our result against Gillingham was very satisfactory and scoring nine goals against two in our last two home games was very pleasing for our supporters.

Steve Abbley had a very successful home debut and looks to have a very promising future. It is nice to see another local boy hold his own in our First Team. Glenn Cockerill was obviously delighted with his first league goal for us and crowned a very good performance on his first home appearance. Roy Greenwood has yet to make a full appearance at home but showed what a strong squad Bob Smith has at his command.

After tonight's game we have Millwall at home on Tuesday evening, 29 April, and Barnsley at home on Saturday, 3rd May.

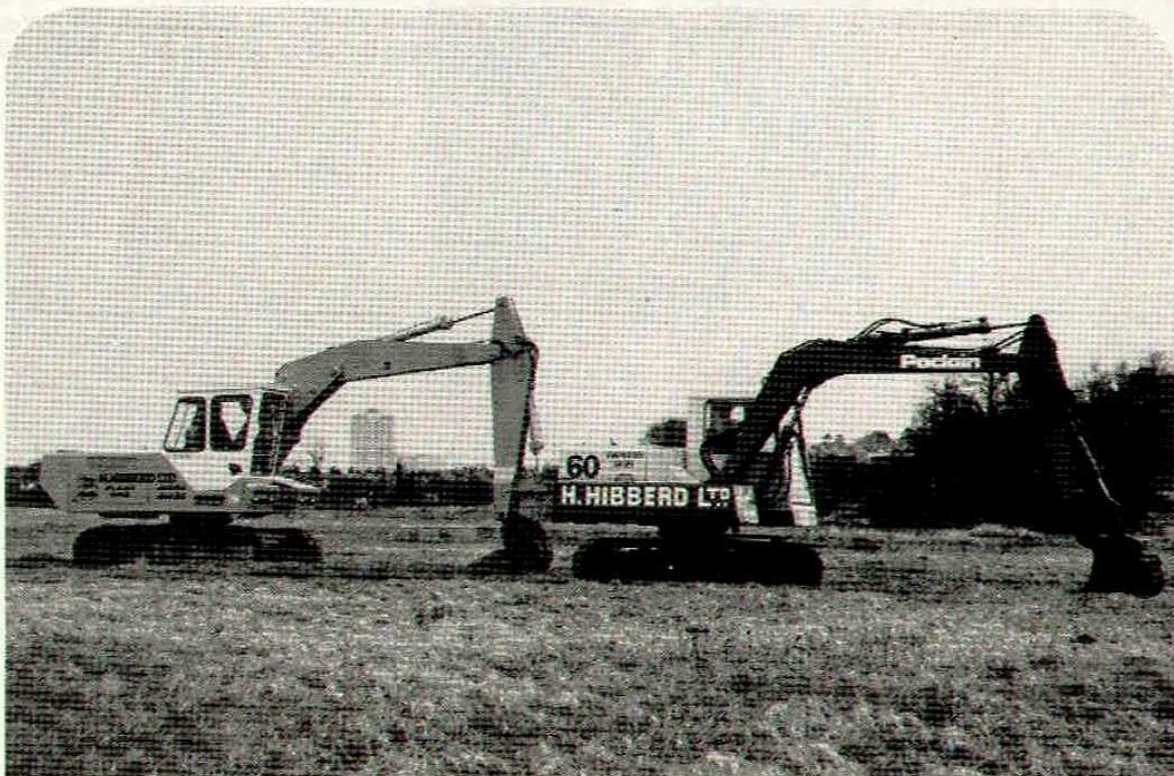
If you read the contents of our programme, you will have seen an article called 'Point for Discussion' written by Mr Colin Benson in

conversation with Mr Dudley Kernick, the Stoke City Commercial Manager, who had the audacity to suggest that the way to get the Football League on a sound commercial footing is to discard the Third and Fourth Division. He goes on to say that because these clubs get the same share of the Television payments to the Football League and that because they also share the Pool set up by the Football League as a percentage set aside for this purpose from cup ties and league games as the First and Second Division Clubs consider that the Third and Fourth Divisions are parasites.

What a lot of nonsense to appear in a Football League programme. Dudley Kernick, I have known you for a long time now and I know what a good job you do in your commercial field but you know as well as anyone, that the enjoyment and continuity of English League football is the very fact that from the North to the South ninety-two clubs give a loyal following that brings excitement, hopes and, of course, disappointments but is a way of life of this Country. You call for a Super League, but of what interest would that be to towns who cannot compete? Where would the players come from to play in a Super League after a period of time, without the strong healthy competition of other leagues to produce the standard of player needed to play in the top echelon. Dudley says that there is not one club in the league that can claim to be self sufficient through football. The Football League has an existence of over one hundred years, and like every other walk in life, times have changed as home values. Sponsorships, Lotteries, Television, Floodlighting have all played their part in our changing world, and is it wrong to use these facilities if it can improve the facilities and provide a decent living for the professionals who put on the shows?

I feel strongly that the Football League have to control the amount of the transfer fees and possibly the suggestion put forward that a Club wishing to buy, must be prepared to pay fifty percent of the asking price in one payment, would ultimately bring down the high asking prices. At the same time as suggesting cutting the size of the Football League, Dudley Kernick advocates bringing the Alliance League as another step down from the Fourth Division into being. I would like to point out to Colin Benson that the Third and Fourth Division Clubs have six votes and not four, at Football League meetings. I hope for everybody's sake connected with Stoke City, that they stay in the First Division and that Dudley Kernick's dream does not come true.

Many of you will now have received your invitations to our Club Dinner Dance on Tuesday, 6 May. If not, and you are interested, please contact Bob Jefferies as soon as possible.



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R. McHale	7	1	2	-	-	-	-
W. Tucker	4	1	-	-	-	-	-
K. Stroud	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
I. Miller	2	2	-	-	-	-	-
R. Carter	3	1	1	-	-	-	-
A. Rowland	18	3	5	-	-	-	-
A. Mayes	18	3	6	-	-	-	-
C. Kamara	5	1	1	1	-	-	-
R. Lewis	4	-	-	-	-	-	-
B. Williams	3	1	-	-	-	-	-
G. Cockerill	1	-	-	1	-	-	-
K. Norman	-	-	-	1	1	-	-
C. Henry	-	-	-	2	4	-	-
M. Ellery	-	-	-	2	-	-	1
M. Page	-	-	-	1	11	-	-
N. Willoughby	-	-	-	2	-	-	-
J. Walters	-	-	-	1	-	-	-
S. Abbley	-	-	-	8	-	-	-
B. Hamilton	-	-	-	2	-	-	-
P. Bates	-	-	1	13	-	-	-
P. Gilchrist	-	-	-	9	-	-	-
M. Blackler	-	-	-	1	-	3	-
B. Munde	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
D. Cock	-	-	-	-	1	3	-
M. Rustell	-	-	-	-	2	15	-
P. Rideout	-	-	-	-	5	9	1
P. Short	-	-	-	-	-	3	-
B. Hughes	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
D. Round	-	-	-	-	2	9	-
I. Swatton	-	-	-	-	-	9	-
D. Bristow	-	-	-	-	-	2	-
F. Packer	-	-	-	-	1	-	-

LEAGUE TABLE up to and including Saturday April 19, 1980

	Home				F-A	Away				Pts.	Avge Home Lge. Gate	TOP GOALSCORERS (incl. Cup)
	P	W	D	L		W	D	L	F-A			
Grimsby T	44	17	2	3	42-16	8	7	7	27-26	59	10,040	Bob Cumming 18, Kevin Kilmore 16
Sheffield Wed	43	12	5	5	44-20	8	10	3	35-25	55	17,419	Terry Curran 24, Andy McCulloch 13
Blackburn R	42	13	5	3	32-13	10	4	7	21-18	55	9,307	Andy Crawford 21, Duncan McKenzie 15
Chesterfield	42	15	5	2	43-16	6	6	8	23-27	53	7,880	Phil Bonnyman 17, Ernie Moss 17
Colchester U	43	9	10	3	36-20	9	2	10	22-32	48	3,881	Trevor Lee 18, Bobby Gough 12
Reading	44	15	6	2	43-18	2	9	11	22-45	47	6,599	Pat Earles 16, Mike Kearney 15
Exeter C	44	13	5	4	37-22	5	5	12	22-43	46	4,308	Tony Kellow 16, Keith Bowker 13
Carlisle U	44	12	6	4	43-26	5	5	12	21-30	45	4,463	Paul Bannon 18, Steve Ludlam 11
Sheffield U	43	12	5	4	33-18	5	5	12	25-41	44	17,087	Jeff Bourne 11, Barry Butlin 7
SWINDON TOWN	42	14	4	2	47-16	4	3	15	21-43	43	8,767	ALAN MAYES 27, ANDY ROWLAND 27
Rotherham U	43	13	3	5	37-21	4	6	12	19-42	43	6,410	Richard Finney 13, Phil Henson 12
Millwall	42	13	6	3	47-23	2	6	12	14-32	42	6,028	John Lyons 20, Tony Towner 12
Chester	42	12	6	2	26-15	3	6	13	20-39	42	3,644	Ian Rush 16, Peter Henderson 8, Bryn Jones 8
Oxford U	44	10	4	8	34-23	4	9	9	23-35	41	4,561	Paul Berry 14, Peter Foley 12
Barnsley	43	9	6	6	26-19	5	7	10	23-36	41	11,997	Ronnie Glavin 22, Derrick Parker 13
Plymouth A	43	13	6	3	39-17	2	4	15	19-38	40	5,792	Dave Kemp 16, Mike Trusson 10
Gillingham	43	8	9	4	26-16	5	5	12	21-33	40	6,340	Ken Price 17, Danny Westwood 10
Brentford	44	9	6	7	32-26	5	5	12	25-45	39	7,852	Steve Phillips 12, Jim McNichol 8
Southend U	43	11	6	6	33-23	3	3	14	13-32	37	4,524	Terry Gray 8, Derek Spence 7
Blackpool	43	10	6	6	39-34	3	4	14	20-40	36	5,797	Stan McEwan 13, Colin Morris 10
Hull C	42	9	7	4	26-19	1	9	12	21-45	36	6,141	Keith Edwards 18, Paul Moss 6
Mansfield T	44	9	8	5	31-24	1	7	14	14-31	35	5,165	Terry Austin 23, Kevin Bird 8, Steve Taylor 8
Bury	42	10	3	8	29-21	4	3	14	12-35	34	3,854	Craig Madden 12, Steve Johnson 8
Wimbledon	43	5	7	9	29-34	4	6	12	17-41	31	3,451	John Leslie 18, Alan Cork 10

Includes goals for previous clubs this season

From the Commercial Office

Good Evening Ladies and Gentlemen.

With the season coming to a close, we would like to say thank you to everyone who has purchased one of our competition tickets at our home games.

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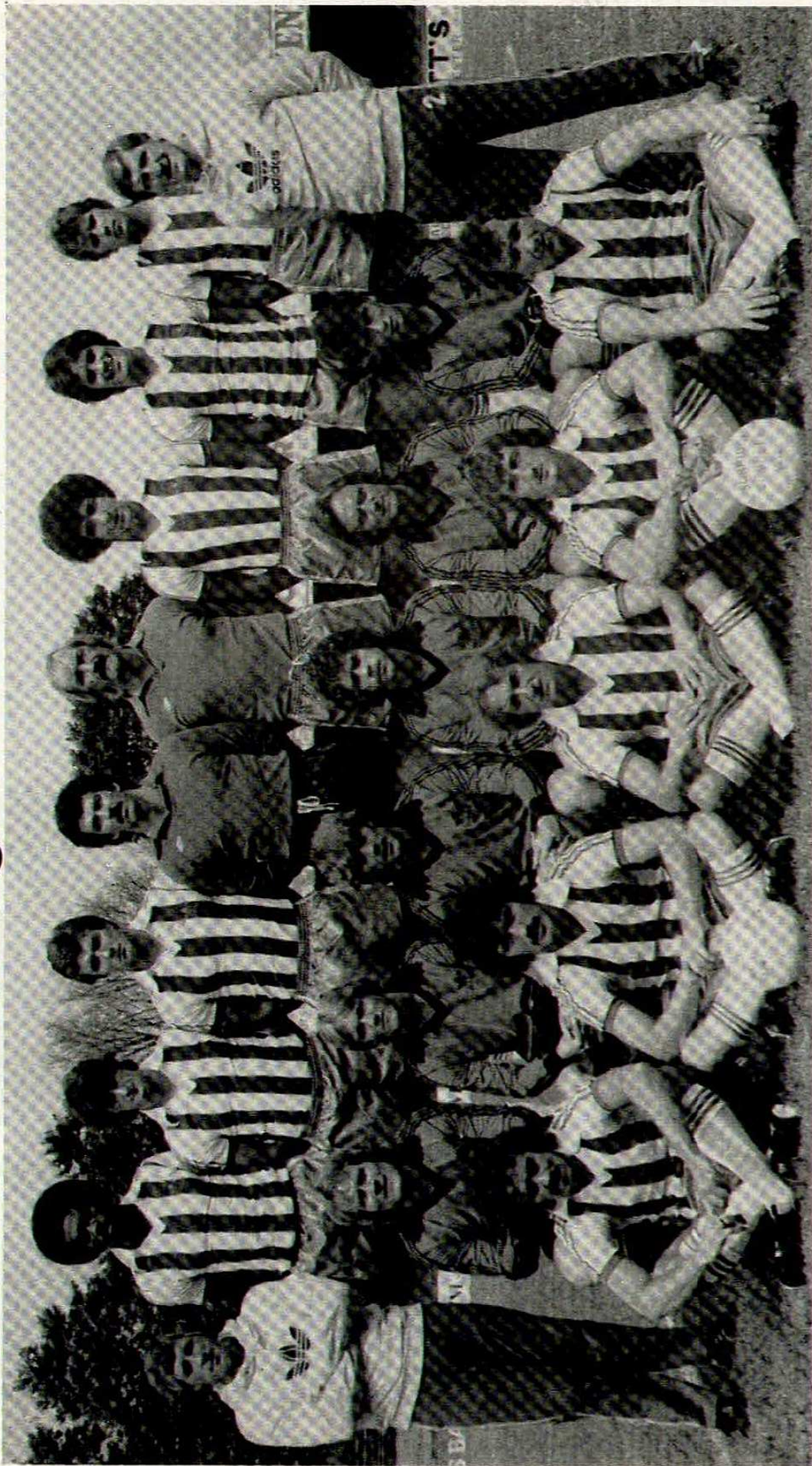
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Gillingham goalkeeper Hillyard fails to gather a Town cross but the ball runs too far for Swindon winger Steve Abbley (left), during Saturday's victory.

In Town Tonight: Colchester United



Back Row (L to R) Bobby Roberts (Manager), Trevor Lee, Bobby Hodge, Steve Wignall, Bobby Hamilton, Mike Walker, Steve Downman, Steve Foley, Steve Wright, Ray Harford (Coach)
Middle Row (L to R) Paul Dyer, Peter Spurling, Russell Cotton, Eddie Rowles, Ray Bunkell, Tony Evans
Front Row (L to R) Steve Leslie, Ian Allinson, Bobby Gough (Captain), Mickey Cook, Mickey Packer

Colchester's hopes fade By Tony Pullein

Colchester United's promotion hopes will probably have disappeared completely by the time they come to the County Ground tonight so their dream of taking Second Division football to Layer Road will have to be postponed for at least another year.

By mid-February, Colchester were level with Grimsby at the top of the table but they seemed to be hit by a bout of nerves and a sequence in which they won only once in seven games virtually killed their promotion dream.

Last season Colchester finished seventh and manager Bobby Roberts had confidence enough in his squad not to seek any new players during the summer. Indeed, he has kept virtually the same team together throughout this season and, unless he decides to experiment with any of his younger players tonight, we can anticipate an attacking formation of Bobby Gough, Steve Foley and Trevor Lee.

Gough, who had scored 12 goals before the weekend, has been the club's top scorer for the past three seasons with 18 in 1976/77, 17 the following season and 22 last term. He began his career with Walsall but got only one League outing with the Saddlers. He moved on to Port Vale in 1968 and immediately won a regular place. In 1973/74 he joined Stockport on loan and, at the end of that season, he was transferred to Southport. Colchester signed him mid-way through the 1975/76 campaign.

Foley developed in the junior sides at Layer Road and he has made well over 250 first-team appearances since his debut in 1971/72. Steve had scored eight goals before the weekend.

Lee was spotted by Millwall when he was playing for Epsom & Ewell and he went straight into the Lions' first-team in 1975. Colchester signed him for £15,000 last season. He is currently Colchester's top scorer, with 18 goals before the weekend.

The midfield selection has been made from Steve Leslie, Bobby Hodge, Ian Allinson and Eddie Rowles.

Leslie, a former England youth international, turned professional with Colchester in 1971 and he is now approaching his 300th League appearance for the club. Hodge entered League soccer with Exeter City in 1974 and joined Colchester at the beginning of last season. Allinson is another Colchester discovery. He made his League bow in 1975.

Rowles was only 16 when he played his first League game for Bournemouth in 1968. He moved on to York City in 1971 and to Torquay two years later. Darlington signed him in 1975 and he was their top scorer with 17 goals in 1976/77. When he joined Colchester in 1978, the £15,000 fee was then a club record.

The normal back four formation is: Mick Cook, Steve Wignall, Steve Dowman and Mike Packer but Steve Wright is also well in contention for one of these places.

Cook has spent his entire career with Colchester and completed 400 League appearances for them last season. He has now beaten the club record of 421 League games set up by Peter Wright in 1964. Wignall was a reserve player with Liverpool and began his League career after signing for Doncaster in 1972. He spent a short while on loan to Nottingham Forest in 1976/77 and moved on to Colchester the following season.

Dowman came through the junior teams at Layer Road and has been a fixture in their League eleven ever since his debut in 1976. Packer opened his League career with Watford and spent a time on loan with Crewe in 1971/72. Colchester signed him in 1973.

Wright is another player to learn his game at Layer Road. He made his first League appearance in 1977/78 and earned himself a regular place last season.

Goalkeeper Mike Walker didn't get a game in Reading's League eleven and he was transferred to Shrewsbury in 1964. Two years later he moved on to York City and, while with them, he was capped on four occasions for the Welsh under-23 side. Watford signed him in 1968 and he remained with them until joining Colchester in 1973.

Colchester have an outstanding away record, having won at Hull (2-0), Grimsby (2-1), Mansfield (1-0), Sheffield United (2-1), Southend (1-0), Millwall (2-1), Oxford (2-0), Bury (1-0) and Barnsley (2-1). They drew at Wimbledon (3-3) and Gillingham (2-2).

But they went down at Rotherham (0-3), Chesterfield (0-3), Blackburn (0-3), Brentford (0-1), Exeter (1-3), Sheffield Wednesday (0-3), Blackpool (0-1), Reading (0-2), Plymouth (0-2) and Chester (1-2).

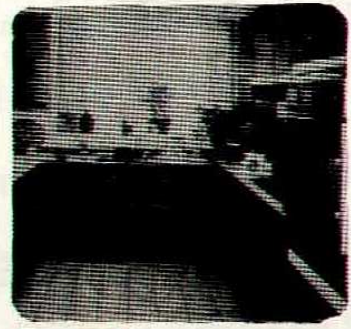


Alan Mayes (left) almost scores goal number four but has his shot blocked during Saturday's game against Gillingham.



Swindon's Chris Kamara (left) closes in towards the Gillingham goal during Saturday's win at the County Ground.

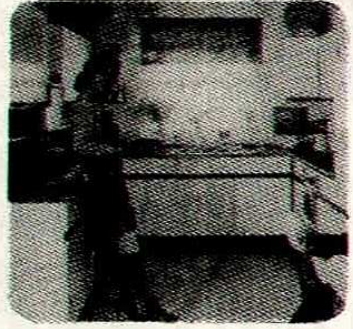
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Soccer Scene by Tony Pullein

Colchester United, tonight's visitors to the County Ground, will be taking part in a new offside experiment at the beginning of next season. Together with East Anglia rivals Ipswich Town, Norwich City and Cambridge United, Colchester will be participating in the pre-season Willhire Cup which has now become firmly established in that part of the country for the annual warm-up games.

Posts will be placed on the touchlines level with the edge of the penalty areas and no player will be given offside until that point. The tournament is to be played from July 26 to August 12 and, as far as Colchester are concerned, it is an excellent idea.

"With teams from three different divisions taking part, it adds variety for the fans and there's always the chance of us doing a giant-killing act like we have done in the past in the major Cups," said Colchester chairman Jack Rippingdale.

The experiment itself is not new. It was used for a couple of years in the pre-season Watney Cup competition and, though apparently a success, no moves have ever been made to get a new ruling accepted by the International Board. It was felt that a longer trial was needed before any decision could be made.

Of the four clubs reaching this season's FA Cup semi-finals, Everton were by far the most inexperienced when it came to players with Wembley FA Cup final knowledge. Incredibly, none of the Everton senior squad has ever appeared in an FA Cup final. Men like Asa Hartford (while with West Bromwich), Brian Kidd (Manchester United) and Garry Stanley (Chelsea) had all been with clubs that reached the final but they were not picked to play.

Their semi-final opponents West Ham United, though now a Second Division club, had more players with the feel of Wembley on Cup final day. Trevor Booking, Frank Lampard, Billy Bonds and Pat Holland all survive from the Hammers' 1975 FA Cup winning side while Stuart Pearson played in two finals for Manchester United. He missed last year's event because of injury.

Arsenal, who had been hoping to become the first team ever to appear in three successive Wembley FA Cup finals, had a wealth of final experience. Pat Rice has played in four finals while Pat Jennings has three finals behind him. Willie Young, David O'leary, Sammy Nelson, Liam Brady, Graham Rix, John Hollins, David

Price, Brian Talbot, Frank Stapleton and Alan Sunderland have all played in two FA Cup Finals and Steve Walford came on as substitute last year.

Liverpool's most experienced FA Cup final men were Ray Clemence, Ray Kennedy and Steve Heighway, each with three final behind them. Phil Thompson, and Terry McDermott have played in two with Phil Neal, Alan Kennedy, Jimmy Case and David Johnson each appearing in one final.

Now that Millwall are no longer involved in the promotion race, manager George Petchey has taken the opportunity to give a batch of his younger players a chance in the League team. Last season Millwall won the FA Youth Cup and they reached the semi-final this year before going out to Aston Villa.

Defenders Phil Coleman and David Gregory, midfield players Chris Dibble and David Martin plus forward Alan McKenna have all been lining up in a fresh-faced Lions' team. Earlier this season Millwall were forced to part with one of their finest young prospects, Kevin O'Callaghan. The club's pressing financial position forced them to accept Ipswich Town's offer of £250,000 for the Republic of Ireland youth international.

Football clubs, like a lot of other commercial organisations have been feeling the pinch, many of them complaining of cash-flow problems. Southend United were put in the position of having to have their electricity supply cut off because they couldn't pay the bill! The power was off for a few days and fortunately for the Shrimpers it was at a time when they were not committed to any home floodlit games.

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- 5** Roy CARTER
- 6** Kenny STROUD
- 7** Steve ABBLEY
- 8** Chris KAMARA
- 9** Andy ROWLAND
- 10** Alan MAYES
- 11** Brian WILLIAMS
- 12** Roy GREENWOOD

COLCHESTER

- Mike WALKER **1**
- Mickey COOK **2**
- Mick PACKER **3**
- Steve LESLIE **4**
- Steve WIGNALL **5**
- Steve WRIGHT **6**
- Eddie ROWLES **7**
- Bobby GOUGH **8**
- Steve FOLEY **9**
- Trevor LEE **10**
- Ian ALLINSON **11**
- 12**



Mr. Thomas G. O. P. Bune (Cranleigh, Surrey)
 Began refereeing whilst at school then via local, Spartan and Isthmian Leagues to Football League line in 1968 and subsequently to full list. Refereed England v. Scotland Amateur International (1974), and Oxford v. Cambridge at Wembley in 1972, linesman in European Nations Cup match (1975) and reserve official for the Sunderland v. Leeds F.A. Cup Final in 1973. Linesman in British Championship Northern Ireland v. Wales 1978/79.

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