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John Trollope says

The Burnley result gave us a hat trick of victories over Yorkshire clubs and the way in which this result was achieved was very satisfying. To single out any one player would be unjust as this was a complete team performance in every sense. Right from the start of the match we set about Barnsley in the right way and could easily have won by a bigger margin. Another pleasing aspect of this game was the attendance and the way you, the supporters, encouraged the team throughout the match. These two points, coupled with the four gained in the previous two games, took us just out of the relegation area and things looked a little brighter.

Unfortunately the good work done in these three games was spoilt with the defeat at Chester, not so much that we were beaten but the way that this occurred. It was in complete contrast, performance wise, to the previous three games. Not only did we not play but we lost our heads due to some very dubious decisions by the referee and to the fact that the players knew they were a better side than Chester and any kind of responsible performance from them would have given us much needed points.

On Tuesday last we had the disappointment of the game at Chesterfield being postponed although fortunately we only travelled as far as Burford before being advised that the game was off.

Bill Tucker's reserve side have also played two games since my last article was written, these games resulting in a victory at Cardiff City, with again a good team performance where the goal-keeper, Tony Knight on loan from Brighton, had a good debut, and a defeat at home last Saturday to Norwich City in atrocious conditions.

On the youth front the weather has taken toll of all games except for the South East Counties home match against Brentford when the young lads gained a 3-0 win. On Sunday last we held our first event for raising funds for an end-of-season tour and this took the form of a photographic session which was well attended bearing in mind the miserable weather. On behalf of the players I would like to thank all of those who came along to support the team and I am sure that, despite the weather, everyone had a good time. We will keep you advised of future events for this cause.

Today we welcome the team and supporters of Millwall and of course you, our own supporter and we thank you for coming along this afternoon. I hope that you will give the players the same kind of encouragement you gave them against Barnsley.



Talk of the Town by the Chairman

We hope today to continue our recent good form, at home to Millwall, who are also keen to win the points at stake.

Many people are of the opinion that there are too many clubs changing their status each year, but at least it keeps an interest alive for supporters, whether their team is fighting for promotion or existence to stay in their particular division.

We still have a regular band of supporters who are always waiting to welcome our players' coach when we arrive at our destination, and I am sure that our players do appreciate this show of loyalty.

At this time of the season, normally, the transfer market is at its busiest, trying to settle deals before the deadline for any signings which was on Thursday last, 12 March, but this year must have been the quietest in the history of the Football League. The majority of clubs either have no money to spend on new players, or cannot afford to increase their payroll, although we still hear of the odd million pounds offer. When John has a clear bill of health with his playing staff, he is going to have very keen competition for places and this must be a healthy position for our Club, although the suspension system which operates at the moment on the points system will reduce our numbers available for John from time to time, and this is not because I feel that we have a side of transgressors, but after witnessing five names going into the Referee's book last week, it left me with a feeling that the only people safe from the book will be those that don't get picked.

On Wednesday, 4 March, I attended a seminar convened by the Council of Arts and Recreation, which discussed the leisure activities organized for the benefit of the community, with an emphasis on the young. Youth leaders and other helpers attended and discussed what can and is being done in our area.

The unemployed section of our community also came into their plans. One of the privileges being able to use the hardcourt tennis facilities free of charge. One of the snags is that there are no changing rooms available, and the other of course, the weather.

On 23 April, a competition sponsored by Debenhams for junior soccer players under 13 years old will play the Final at the Oasis Leisure Centre. The preliminary matches will be starting soon on the outdoor pitches at the Oasis and the top eight teams will go through to appear on the Finals day. Swindon Town players will each be 'adopting' one of the final teams, acting as their team coach. I can see some rivalry here. The closing date for team entries is Wednesday, 18 March. I understand that this competition is open for communities within Thamesdown. Entry forms can be obtained from Keith Williams, Football Community Offices, Thamesdown Borough Council, 1/4 Euclid Street, Swindon.

Our trip to Chesterfield ended at the Cotswold Gateway Hotel in Burford on Tuesday last where we received a phone call to say that the game was off, and this re-arranged fixture will now be attempted again on Tuesday, 7 April.

On Tuesday next we travel to Carlisle, weather permitting, and on Wednesday evening the County Ground will be taken over by Hungerford Town Football Club who entertain an Italian team in an Anglo-Italian competition. This will bring back memories to our supporters of our experiences in this competition when league clubs were involved, but these days it is confined to non-league clubs and Hungerford Town must be congratulated on reaching this standard. Hungerford Town have made tremendous strides over the past few years. They now play in the Isthmian League after playing for several years in the Hellenic League. Ian Farr and Andy Young are both former players of our club, and lan's father was also a former player member of Swindon Town.

Hoping that today's game will be enjoyable, and thank you all for your support.

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Soccer Scene

WHY NEWPORT ARE BETTER THAN LIVERPOOL! By Tony Pullein

Newport County's Somerton Park ground will be packed with its biggest crowd in living memory next Wednesday as the Welsh club attempts the "impossible" feat of reaching the semi-finals of the Europe Cup-Winners' Cup as a Third Division Club. If, as seems likely, they manage to beat Carl Zeiss Jens, they will become the only club of Third Division status from anywhere in Europe to participate in the last four of any of Europe's major tournaments.

No one gave Newport any hope when the draw decreed they should face one of Eastern Europe's greatest clubs. But Newport astonished everyone by drawing 2-2 in the away leg. Now they need only to draw 0-0 or 1-1 to go through on away goals.

For Tommy Tyhan, who scored both Newport's goals, life has taken an ironic twist this season. He was once an eager young Liverpool reserve player with dreams of playing in European finals and other big games. But Bob Paisley didn't even give hime one outing in the Reds' League team and he left Anfield with a certain feeling of disappointment in 1976 to sign for Sheffield Wednesday.

After making a name for himself as a high scoring forward at Hillsborough, he spent a short period with Lincoln and then joined Newport for £25,000 last season. Now Tommy stands the chance of playing in a European semi-final and ... dare one even mention it? - - - possibly a European final with Newport County this season.

As far as Tynan is concerned, then, Newport County are a far better bet for him than Liverpool ever were!

Millwall were the latest Third Division side to experiment with Sunday football and their home game with Reading last weekend drew their second-highest attendance of the the season. The 7,535 was way above their average of 4,395 for League games this season.

The Lions also celebrated with two more useful points. They recovered from an interval deficit to win 2-1 with goals from Barry Kitchener and John Bartley. With only one defeat in seven matches, Millwall are now pulling well away from the relegation fate that once threatened them.

Sadly, there is no such light at the end of Blackpool's long, dark tunnel. Their 1-3 defeat at Gillingham meant they had won once in 17 outings and made the task of new manager Allan Brown far more difficult.

Mr. Brown was once sacked by Blackpool but they turned to him again last week following the dismissal of former England midfield star Alan Ball and the brief period of consultancy of his father, Alan Ball senior.

"It's going to be a tremendous task to pull us out of trouble now," conceded Mr. Brown as he got down to work at Bloomfield Road.

Mr. Brown also played for Blackpool and he must be reflecting now how different is the Bloomfield Road atmosphere today. He was a playing contemporary of such all-time greats as Stan Matthews, Stan Motensen and Harry Johnston when the club was a power in the First Division. Now, barring a miracle, the Tangerines will be going down into the Fourth Division for the first time in their history.

Hull City look destined to go with them, likewise for the first time in their history. And Boothferry Park fans have unkindly been calling for the head of manager Mike Smith, who gave up the Welsh team-manager's job in order to help the club out last season.

Things haven't worked out as well as he would have liked and, with no cash to invest in the transfer market, Mr Smith has in recent weeks had to rely upon many of the club's younger players.

The Hull manager has used no fewer than 27 players in his League eleven this season and, without a win in their last four games, their position at the foot of the table has worsened considerably.

Exeter City may have been knocked out of the F.A. Cup at last but they certainly did the Third Division proud as they bowed out so gracefully at Tottenham last Saturday. They held on gamely for over an hour, and with a little bit of luck might have snatched a shock lead had not Barry Daines pulled off one fine save from Tony Kellow's shot, until finally going behind to a Graham Roberts' goal.

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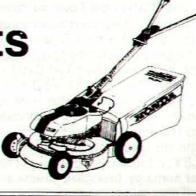
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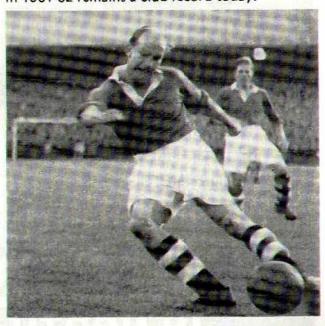
by paul plowman



On March 18, 1950, the late BOB PEART made his Town debut in the number nine shirt. He had by now signed professional forms, having previously assisted Swindon's combination side as an amateur with Pinehurst Y.C. Bob made six appearances during that season scoring twice, but he increased his goal 'output' in 1950-51. MAURICE OWEN's consistency restricted him to just three games - which brought him three goals. Peart was top scorer, with 13 goals, for the reserve side that year, along with ex-Chelsea forward JOE SIMNER (eight goals) who also deputised for Owen on odd occasions. When released by the Town, both Peart and Simner joined former Swindon keeper Frank Boulton at Bedford Town, Another face appearing briefly at centre-forward in August 1950 was George 'Garth' Hudson, normally the centre-half, but pitched into the attack for four games by manager Louis Page.

During 1951-52 and 1952-53 Maurice Owen was seldom absent and was scorer-in-chief with 45 League and Cup goals to his credit - but his presence at an F.A. Cup tie in December 1953 was sorely missed when the Town suffered one of their most humiliating defeats. Swindon had barely scraped through a First Round tie at home to Hampshire League club Newport, from the Isle of Wight, with centre-half Ted Batchelor playing up front. The Town trailed 0-1 at the interval but the make-shift number nine scored twice to rectify matters. For the next stage, an away trip to Hastings, hardly a forward was match-fit and the leadership eventually went to DON TILLEY, a former Arsenal man. The sussex side romped home by four goals to one and the luckless Mr Tilley was never again called upon for first-team duty. In April 1955 half-back Stewart Williamson also wore the number nine iersey. but some twenty-three goals scored for his previous employers, Tranmere Rovers (for whom his father also played), suggest that he had had some experience as a front-runner.

By the end of 1956 Owen, with over 350 appearances behind him, began to figure less frequently as centre-forward - although he was still to feature somewhere in the Town line-up for another six years. Birmingham-born ANDY MICKLEWRIGHT, who had spent all his career with the Bristol clubs, was one of manager Bert Head's earliest choices to take over up front. Others were FRANK O'MAHONY - who blasted four goals in his first three games - BILL ROOST (another ex-Bristol Rover) and Scot JIMMY KELLY from Preston. In the 1959 close season, more 'imports' arrived including DAVID LAYNE as first-choice centre-forward. Born in Sheffield and signed from Rotherham, he was affectionate-Iv known as 'Bronco'. During his one full season here he hit 20 goals in just 27 League games. Shortly after hitting four goals for the Town in a F.A. Cup replay at Bath in November 1960, Layne returned to Yorkshire to sign for Bradford City. His thirty-four League goals for that club in 1961-62 remains a club record today.



MAURICE OWEN

FOOTBALL COMBINATION

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Too Many Clubs at The DEN

By Colin Benson

The winds of uncertainty have prevailed at Cold Blow Lane since Millwall suffered the ignominy that is attached to relegation, when they were dumped out of the Second Division in 1979 after just one season back at that level.

It was a particularly disappointing experience for the then manager George Petchy, who on a shoe string budget had developed the club's youth strategy initiated by Gordon Jago. Indeed they rocked the establishment by deservedly winning the FA Youth Cup that very season, The 'Lions' were blessed with as good a crop of youngsters as any club in the country, unfortunately the quality and experience at senior level was missing and their status declined.

Additionally the clubs financial embarrasment became much more acute and the dilemma forced them to adopt a policy of selling their better players. First to go was teenage winger Kevin O'Callaghan a £250,000 signing for Ipswich Town last season, while this term they have had to say farewell to Tony Towner and John Seasman who were sold to Rotherham for a combined fee of £185,000 and striker John Lyons who moved onto Cambridge United in return for a further £100,000.

The exodus of talent was clearly reflected in the results, Millwall winning just three of their opening nine League games, having scored only seven goals and conceded 14. And despite the return of goalkeeper John Jackson - now 38 but good enough to keep teenage starlet Peter Gleasure in the background - at the end of September following injury, the Londoners rearguard still continued to let goals in freely.

By the middle of November Petchey was relieved of his team commitments and the hunt for an experienced player-manager was on, but it seemed that Millwall was the job that no one envied. After several refusals Peter Anderson was the man to come to the rescue and accept the privilege of restoring the Lions pride.

The former Sheffield United and Luton star made no bones about it, he did not like what he saw at the Den. "It was a question of attitudes," recalls Anderson who watched the side lose 3 - 0 at Chesterfield before signing. "They did not play well, but it was the players attitude after the game that disappointed me so much. They were all so happy on the coach coming home when in fact they should have been questioning themselves over what had happened."

At least that coach journey told Anderson that his priority was to make the players more professional in their approach to the game.

When he took charge Anderson declared that it was his intention to concentrate on management rather than playing, yet circumstances have forced him to review the situation. With such a high percentage of young players on the staff. . . at one stage they had eight teenagers in the side. . . it became imperative to draft some experience into the team. With no money available to spend it left Anderson no alternative but to play himself. He came into the team for the away game at Chester on January 24, and low and behold his first half goal was enough to give the Lions both points.

Since then the classical skills of this inventive player have graced all but one fixture, as Millwall try desperately to check an away record that registers two victories; at Gillingham and Chesterfield and three draws at Fulham, Walsall and Blackpool, with a goal return of just eight for and 34 against.

The ability to go all the way to the top is there in plenty, but as Anderson points out, "It is up to the players. They have the skill, it now depends on the way they develop not only their talents but their attitudes. If they rise to the challenge then we will have a very good side in a couple of years."

And who can argue with that? It is only hoped that the current desperate need for points will not stifle the players natural development over this crucial period. Yes Peter Anderson intends to get his cubs roaring before long.

PETER ANDERSON - 31 year old chartered accountant aims to get his figures right at Millwall. Peter first came into prominence as a very talented orthodox outside right with Isthmian League side Hendon. While there Arsenal wanted to sign him, but Peter felt it more prudent to pass his accountancy examinations first and so the 'Gunners' signed Peter Marinello instead. Thus Luton Town became his first League club but they were forced to sell him to Royal Antwerp for £80,000 in 1975 to avert bankruptcy. From there Peter moved to the U.S. amd Tampa Bay Rowdies before taking up with Sheffield United in the season 1978/79. Then it was back to America and the San Diego Soccers, and once more Tampa Bay.

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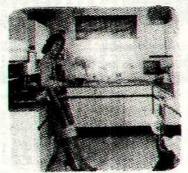




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1950/51 -	Southend	(a)	3-0; 2. Exeter	(a) 0-2.
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1951/52 - 1. Bedford (h) 2-0 Torquay (h) 3-3 (a) 1-1 (at Ashton Gate) 3-1; 3. Cardiff

(a) 1-1 (h) 1-0; 4. Stoke (h) 1-1 (a) 1-0 5. Luton (a) 1-3

1952/53 - 1. Newport (Isle of Wight) (h) 5-0; 2. Northampton (h) 2-0; 3. Manchester City (a) 0-7.

1953/54 - 1. Newport (Isle of Wight) (h) 2-1; 2. Hastings (a) 1-4.

1954/55 - 1. Crystal Palace (h) 0-2.

1955/56 - 1. Hereford (h) 4-0; 2. Peterborough (h) 1-1 (a) 2-1; 3. Worksop (h) 1-0; 4. Charlton (a) 1-2.

1956/57 - 1. Coventry (h) 2-1; 2. Bournemouth (h) 0-1.

1957/58 - Reading (a) 0-1.

1958/59 - Aldershot (h) 5-0; 2. Norwich (h) 1-1 (a) 0-1.

1959/60 - 1. Walsall (h) 2-3.

1960/61 - 1. Bath (h) 2-2 (a) 6-4; 2. Shrewsbury (h) 0-1.

1961/62 - 1. Kettering (h) 2-2 (a) 0-3.

1962/63 - 1. Reading (h) 4-2; 2. Yeovil (a) 2-0; 3. Luton (a) 2-0; 3. Everton (h) 1-5.

1963/64 - 3. Manchester City (h) 2-1; 4. Aldershot (a) 2-1; 5. West Ham (h) 1-3.

1964/65 - 3. Ipswich (h) 1-2.

1965/66 - 1. Merthyr (h) 5-1; 3. Grantham (a) 6-1 Coventry (h) 1-2.

1966/67 - 1. Horsham (a) 3-0; 2. Ashford (h) 5-0; 3. West Ham (a) 3-3 (h) 3-1; 4. Bury (h) 2-1; 5. Nottm. Forest (a) 0-0 (h) 1-1 (at Villa Park) 0-3.

1967/68 - 1. Salisbury (h) 4-0; 2. Luton (h) 3-2; 3. Blackburn (h) 1-0; 4. Sheffield Wednesday (a) 1-2.

1968/69 - Canterbury† (a) 1-0; 2. Grantham (a) 2-0; 3. Southend (h) 0-2.
† drawn away but played at the County Ground.

1969/70 - 3. Blackburn (a) 4-0; 4. Chester (h) 4-2; 5. Scunthorpe (h) 3-1; 6. Leeds (h) 0-2.

1970/71 - 3. Q.P.R. (a) 2-1; 4. Leeds (a) 0-4.

1971/72 - 3. Arsenal (h) 0-2.

1972/73 - 3. Birmingham (h) 2-0; W.B.A. (a) 0-2.

1973/74 - 3. Portsmouth (a) 3-3 (h) 0-1.

1974/75 - 1. Reading (h) 4-0 2. Maidstone (h) 3-1; 3. Lincoln (h) 2-0; 4. West Ham (a) 1-1 (h) 1-2.

1975/76 - 1. Newport (a) 2-2 (h) 3-0; 2. Hendon (a) 1-0; 3. Totting & Mitcham (h) 2-2 (a) 1-2.

1976/77 - 1. Bromley (h) 7-0; 2. Hitchin (a) 1-1 (h) 3-1; 3. Fulham (a) 3-3 (h) 5-0; 4. Everton (h) 2-2 (a) 1-2.

1977/78 - 1. Boreham Wood (a) 0-0 (h) 2-0; 2. Brentford (h) 2-1; 3. Nottm. Forest (a) 1-4.

1978/79 - 1. March Town (h) 2-0; 2. Enfield (h) 3-0; 3. Cardiff (h) 3-0; 4. Aldershot (a) 1-2.

1979/80 - 1. Brentford (h) 4-1; 2. Torquay (a) 3-3 (h) 3-2 Luton (a) 2-0; 4. Tottenham (h) 0-0 (a) 1-2.

1980/81 - 1. Weymouth (h) 3-2; 2. Wimbledon (a) 0-2.

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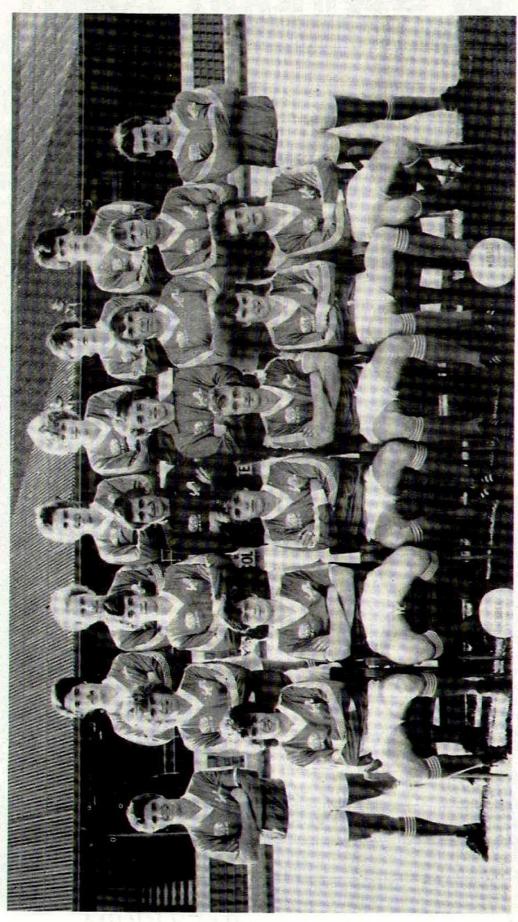
In the next instalment we shall be featuring that legendary character of Swindon football Harold Fleming. Other interesting facts about the club will also appear so make quite sure that you obtain your copy!

South East Counties Junior League Div. 2,

1.	West Ham United	25	17	6	2	71	31	40
2.	Oxford United	21	13	6	2	54	30	32
3.	Cambridge United	24	14	3	7	53	37	31
4.	Swindon Town	25	14	3	8	48	36	31
5.	Tottenham Hotspur	21	12	4	5	58	29	28
6.	Luton Town	25	12	3	10	51	31	27
7.	Charlton Athletic	21	10	5	6	39	31	25
8.	Reading	26	8	7	11	38	51	23
9.	Wimbledon	23	10	2	11	52	50	22
10.	Brentford	31	7	6	8	42	40	20
11.	Chelsea	21	5	6	10	23	45	18
12.	Orient	20	6	2	12	28	44	14
13.	Peterborough United	22	7	2	13	21	45	14*
14.	Millwall	22	3	1	18	19	55	7
15.	Bristol Rovers	17		2	15	20	61	2

^{* 2} pts deducted

Millwal



Back Row L-R

John Bartley, Jimmy Sweetzer, Phil Coleman, David Martin, Paul Robinson, John Sitton.

Andy Massey, John Mitchell, Tony Tagg, John Jackson, Peter Gleasure, Barry Kitchener, Mel Blyth, Alan McKenna. Middle Row L-R

David Gregory, David Mehmet, Paul Roberts, Nicky Chatterton, Tony Kinsella, Chris Dibble. Front Row L-R

Millwall Pen-Pictures

JOHN JACKSON (Goalkeeper) John has now made well over 600 appearances in the Football League. One of the game's soundest goalkeepers, he made his League bow for Crystal Palace in 1964/65 and was transferred to Orient for £30,000 in 1974. He was ever-present in his last five seasons at Brisbane Road, making 210 consecutive League appearances, before joining Millwall in 1979.

DAVID MARTIN (Defender) David was only 16 when he made his League debut against Rother-ham last March. He was a member of Millwall's F. A. Youth Cup winning team of 1979. Though normally a midfield player, he has switched to right-back in recent matches.

MEL BLYTH (Defender) After one season in Scunthorpe's first-team, Mel was transferred to Crystal Palace in 1968. Southampton paid £60,000 for him in 1974 and two years later he was a member of their F.A. Cup winning team. Two seasons ago he returned to Palace as player-coach then, after a spell in South Africa, he signed for Millwall last season.

BARRY KITCHENER (Defender) Barry has long since established a new club record of appearances for the Lions. He made Kis bow for them back in 1967.

TONY TAGG (Defender) Tony developed with Q.P.R. but made only four League appearances for the Rangers. He moved to Millwall in 1977 and has been a permanent member of their squad since.

PAUL ROBERTS (Defender) Paul skippered Millwall's F. A. Youth Cup winning team in 1979 and made his debut in the first-team during that season. He earned a regular place last season.

JOHN SITTON (Defender) John developed in the junior teams at Chelsea and was introduced to their League eleven in 1978/79. Millwall signed him towards the end of last season.

PETER ANDERSON (Midfield) Peter took over as Millwall's player-manager in December after a couple of years in American Soccer with San Diago Soccers and Tampan Bay Rowdiers. He began his career with Luton and his £60,000 transfer to Royal Antwerp in 1975 gave the Kenilworth Road club sufficient cash to avoid immediate bankruptcy. He first went to Tampan Bay in 1978 but he returned to this country to sign for Sheffield United when he was top scorer in 1978/79.

NICKY CHATTERTON (Midfield) Nicky worked his way through the Crystal Palace juniors to take his place in their League eleven in 1973/74. He played more than 150 League games for the Selhurst Club and was transferred to Millwall in 1978 for £100,000.

DAVID MEHMET (Midfield) David was only 16 when he made his first-team debut for Millwall in 1977. Now his great potential is beginning to develop and many big clubs have shown an interest in him. He is an England Youth International.

TONY KINSELLA (Midfield) Another member of the Lions' successful F.A. Youth Cup teams of 1978/79. Tony was introduced to the League team that same season. Though English, he is of Irish parentage and has already played for the Republic of Ireland at youth and under-21 levels.

CHRIS DIBBLE (Midfield) Chris, who made his League debut in 1977/78, has been given several subsequent opportunities and recently enjoyed a long run in the side again.

AUSTIN HAYES (Forward) Austin joined Mill-wall from Southampton a few weeks ago. Though he made more than 20 first-team appearances for the Saints, and was capped by the Republic of Ireland, Austin found himself out of the squad this season and he is now happily enjoying his return to League soccer.

ANDY MASSEY (Forward) Andy is yet another player to develop in the youth team. He has been given his first taste of League soccer this season.

ALAN McKENNA (Forward) Alan was a junior with both Hibernian and Glasgow Rangers. He joined Millwall in 1978 and he was a consistent member of the first-team this season until a few weeks ago.

DEAN HORRIX (Forward) Dean has graduated to first-team duty this season and he hit his first League goal against Colchester last month.

JOHN BARTLEY (Forward) John joined Millwall this season and now he is establishing himself as one of their leading scorers with seven goals.

JOHN MITCHEL (Forward) John entered League soccer with Fulahm in 1972 and he later topped their scoring list on two occasions. Millwall invested £100,000 in his transfer in 1978.

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Bryan 'Pop' Robson, who has scored more League goals than anyone currently playing, came close to adding to his haul of 232 on Saturday, On his debut for Carlisle he caused some anxious moments for Walsall and was instrumental in the home side taking the lead in the fourteenth minute. Keeper Ron Green could only palm the ball into his own net following a challenge from Robson. Peter Hart equalised for the Saddlers but United almost snatched both points when Green was beaten by a Paul Haigh header - but Harrison cleared off the line.

Oxford keeper Roy Burton presented Hull with a late equaliser at the Manor. He dropped the ball following a Marwood corner and Dale Roberts forced it home. United's lead was almost restored two minutes later when Billy Jeffrey netted, but the goal was disallowed for a foul on City keeper Tony Norman.

Reading were a goal in front inside two minutes at the Den on Sunday, Stuart Beavon netting. Almost on the hour veteran defender Barry Kitchener headed Millwall level before John

Bartley made it 2-1. With an average home gate of 3,850 prior to the weekend, the club must have been well pleased with the 7,535 who turned up.

Portsmouth crashed 0-3 to rivals Chesterfield and their away form must be causing concern for manager Frank Burrows. Pompey have scored only twice in their last ten away games.

Blackpool took a 37th minute lead at Gillingham through Jackie Ashurst but it lasted less than five minutes when a Dean White shot was deflected past keeper lain Hesford by recalled former Town star Peter Noble, Headers from White and Price gave Gillingham a 3-1 victory.

Ian Banks put Barnsley ahead at the Valley, following a Ronnie Glavin free-kick. The departure of Glavin would appear to be imminent with the arrival of Ray McHale from Brighton completed last week. Young Paul Walsh replied for Charlton in the 1-1 draw.

DIVISION THREE LEAGUE TABLE up to and incl Sunday March 8, 1981

		Hom	8			A	YEN			Goal	Avge Home	
	P	W D	L	F-A	W	D	Ĺ	F-A	Pts	Diff.	Lge Gate	Top Goalscorers
Charlton Ath.	34	13 3	1	32-12	8	3	6	18-18	48	+20	6,557	Derek Hales 21, Paul Walsh 14
Rotherham Utd.	35	135	0	34- 6	4	7	6	14-19	46	+23	7,185	Ronnie Moore 18, Tony Towner 7
Huddersfield T.	36	12 4	2	30- 7	5	7	6	24-21	45	+26	11,816	Steve Kindon 16, Terry Austin 15*
Barnsley	34	10 4	3	33-15	6	7	4	20-19	43	+19	11,457	Ronnie Glavin 16, Trevor Aylott 14
Portsmouth	36	13 2	3	31-15	6	3	9	16-24	43	+8	14,400	David Gregory 12, Bill Rafferty 9*
Chesterfield	35	13 2	2	31-10	5	4	9	22-24	42	+19	8,243	Alan Birch 22
Burnley	36	123	4	32-15	4	7	6	17-20	42	+14	6,517	Steve Taylor 14, Billy Hamilton 9
Plymouth Arg.	35	11 2	4	31-17	3	8	7	15-21	38	+8	7,810	David Kemp 23, Donal Murphy 10
Reading	37	115	3	33-15	3	5	10	15-30	38	+3	5,173	Pat Earles 11, Kerry Dixon 8
Brentford	37	5 7	6	23-19	6	8	5	19-21	37	+2	6,974	David Crown 8, Tony Funnell 8
Exeter C	34	76	6	27-24	7	2	8	22-24	35	+1	4,513	Tony Kellow 26
Chester	36	10 4	5	21-12	3	4	10	9 -23	34	-1	3,543	Trevor Phillips 7, Steve Ludlam 56
Millwall	36	10 7	2	29-17	2	3	12	8 -34	34	-14	4,046	Nick Chatterton 9, John Bartley 7
Colchester Utd.	36	116	2	32-17	1	3	13	9 -34	33	-10	2,661	Kevin Bremner 9
Newport Co.	36	75	6	27-19	4	5	9	22-29	32	+1	5,921	Tommy Tynan 17†, Dave Gwyther 14†
Fulham	35	5 7	5	19-20	5	5	8	24-28	32	-5	5,113	Gordon Davies 18, John Beck 7
Walsall	37	68	4	35-32	4	4	11	13-28	32	-12	4,290	Alan Buckley 12, Don Penn 8
Sheffield Utd.	35	10 5	2	29-11	2	2	14	23-38	31	+3	12,613	Bob Hatton 17, Tony Kenworthy 8
Gillingham	36	66	6	18-18	3	7	8	20-32	31	-12	4,863	Trevor Lee 12*, Ken Price 11
SWINDON TOWN	34	9 2	7	29-24	3	4	9	12-23	30	-6	6,522	Andy Rowland 11
Oxford Utd.	36	46	8	13-21	5	5	8	13-20	29	-15	3,806	Kevin Brock/Joe Cooke/Malcolm Shotton 6 each
Carlisle Utd.	34	67	4	26-24	3	3	11	16-33	28	-15	3,845	Peter Beardsley 12, Gordon Staniforth 11
Blackpool	36	37	7	16-24	4	4	11	22-39	25	-25	6,118	Colin Morris 16, David Hockaday 5
Hull C.	34	5 4	6	15-15	1	6	12	16-44	21	-28	4,509	Keith Edwards 15

^{*} Includes goals for previous clubs this season: Austin - 9 for Mansfield Rafferty - 4 for Newcastle Lee - 9 for Colchester

[†] Includes goals in E.C.W.C. (Tynan 4, Gwyther 2)

Picture



Swindon skipper Chris Kamara goes close to scoring with a spectacular header against Barnsley. Left is Kenny Stroud and Roy Greenwood is No. 10.



Barnsley goalkeeper Gary Pierce denies Roy Greenwood a scoring chance during the Town's win at the County Ground.

Parade



Barnsley's Evans beats Ian Miller during an airborn challenge in Swindon's last home win.



Andy Rollings challenges Barnsley goalkeeper Pierce to a Town corner, watched by Swindon's Andy Rowland (left) and Roy Greenwood No. 10.

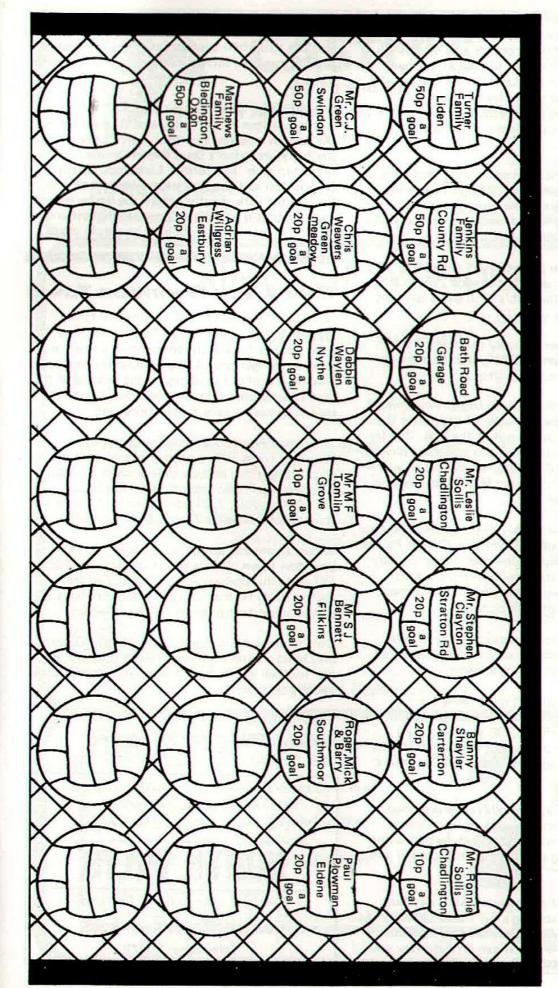
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A slip by goalkeeper Len Bond enabled Paul Miller to grab a lucky second goal for Spurs. But, with their share of the proceeds of a 40,000-plus gate, Exeter should not be too sad. They had previously knocked out Leicester and Newcastle and equalled a club record by surviving to the sixth round in spite of the fact that they had been drawn away from home five times in succession.

Wimbledon fans are relieved to learn that League soccer will be continuing at Plough Lane next season. And, thanks to the success of the team in recent weeks, they would well be enjoying Third Division soccer rather than Fourth.

The Dons' manager Dave Bassett enjoyed a unique distinction after last week's 2-1 victory over Tranmere — the club's 11th game without defeat.

Mr Bassett was then the only manager in the Football League never to have fielded a losing team!

Bassett took over from Dario Gradi, who moved on to Crystal Palace, a couple of days after the Dons had been knocked out of the F.A. Cup by Wrexham. Wimbledon then proceeded to pick up 11 points out of 14 to push themselves to within two points of fourth placed Mansfield Town in the Fourth Division.

When Wimbledon's former chairman Ron Noades purchased a controlling interest in Crystal Palace, his plan was for Wimbledon and Palace to share the Selhurst Park stadium from next season. Wimbledon fans would have been left to cheer the reserve teams of both clubs.

But, following a vigorous campaign by Dons' supporters, the club has announced that it has dropped its ground sharing scheme.

The size of their support must remain a continuous worry for Wimbledon, though. They are averaging less than 2,500 and even their current run of success has failed to impress the locals. There were only 2,394 at the Tranmere game.

The chance to play on Sundays has provided clubs with the chance of cashing in on a new audience but last weekend two clubs broke new ground by playing games on both Saturday and Sunday.

Bradford City lost at Crewe on Saturday but made amends by scoring a 2-1 home victory over Rochdale on Sunday. Rochdale travelled both days — they won 1-0 at Wigan on Saturday and then went down 1-2 at Bradford 24 hours later.

Bradford's crowd showed no notable increase for their Sunday experiment. Indeed, the 2,936 was less than their average for the season even though it was an increase on their previous home game.

A late goal by Brian Taylor gave Rochdale their win over Wigan on Saturday and thus prevented the League's newest manager, Larry Lloyd, from joining Wimbledon's Dave Bassett in the unbeaten club. The former Liverpool, Nottingham Forest and England centre-back took over at Springfield Park shortly before the derby game with Rochdale and Wigan's second-highest crowd (6,029) went along to see how he would shape.

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The hospitality and generosity shown by Swindon Town F.C. is greatly appreciated by all at Hungerford and we only hope that local supporters will also 'adopt' us on Wednesday, 18th March, K.O. 7.30 p.m. when we take on the Italian Third Division Club S.S. Francavilla.

We are at present top of our League and ex Swindon Town players David Ingram, Ian Farr (33 goals this season) Andy Young, Derrick Reilly, Andy Notton and Brian Mundee have all played important roles for us this season.

Our thanks again to your Chairman Mr. Green, his Directors and staff, and I hope you will enjoy our football which has brought us over 100 goals already this season.

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3	Dave PEACH			Paul ROBERTS	3
4	Glenn COCKERILL			Nicky CHATTERTON	4
5	Andy ROLLINGS	POLEY	\	Tony TAGG	5
6	Kenny STROUD	ROLEX DEACONS	3	Barry KITCHENER	6
7	tan MILLER	SWINDON EST 1848		Andy MASSEY	7
8	Brian			David	8
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