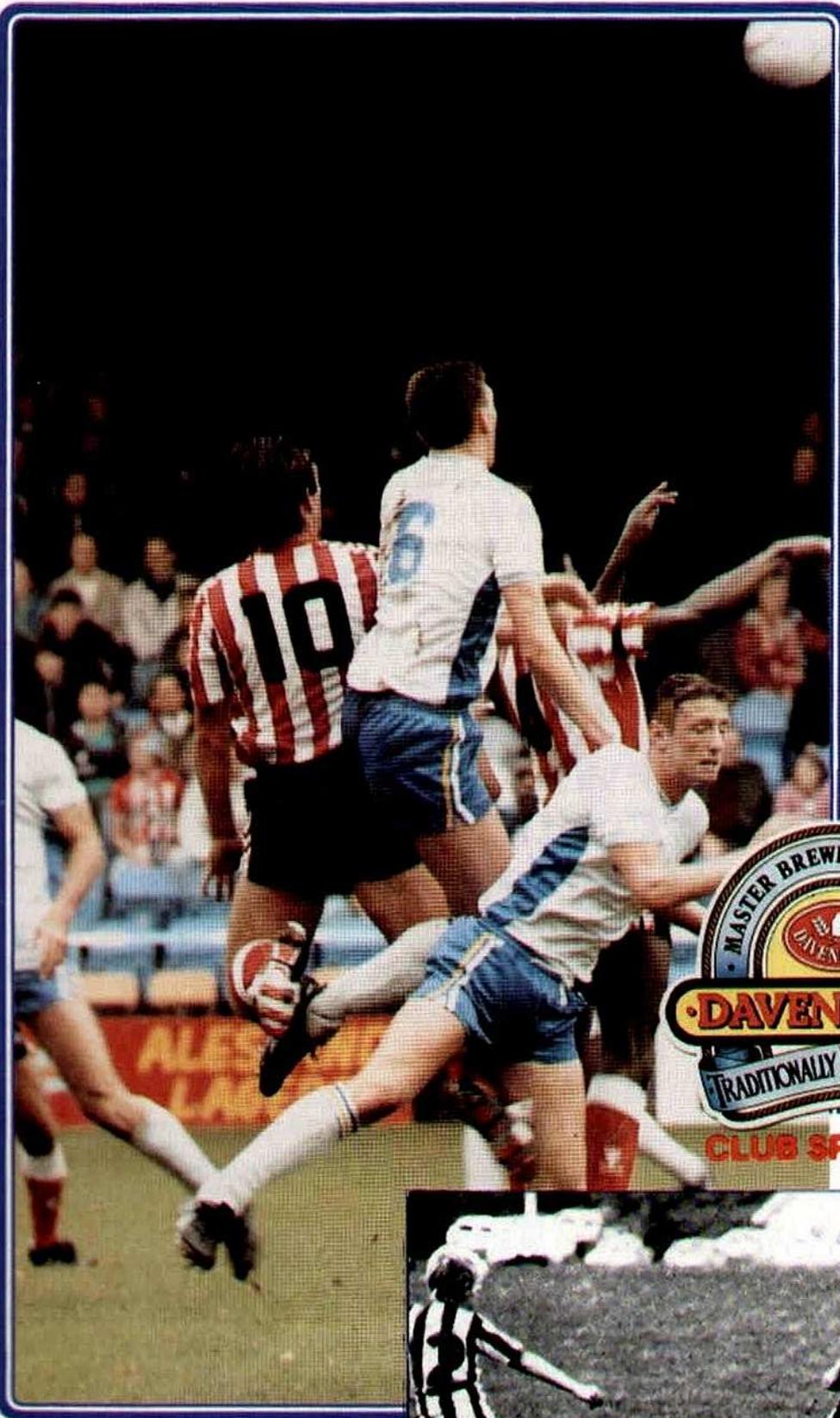


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# TRIBUTE TO OUR LATE PRESIDENT

## Mr. L. TUDOR-OWEN

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At a memorial service to our late President, Mr.L.Tudor-Owen, the address was given by Mr.Frank Leath and he outlined the extraordinary number of activities and achievements practiced and attained by Tudor during his long and eventful life and it is with great pleasure that I record here, with Frank's permission, some of these for the benefit of our supporters.

Llewellyn Tudor Owen was born on the 16th December 1899 a true citizen of this Town of which he was so proud. He went to Shrewsbury 'Lancasterian School' and was the 'Victor Ludorum' in his final year.

He lived and farmed at Upper Berwick for over 30 years and was sworn in as a Freeman of the Borough on 4th May 1934.

He served in the Royal Flying Corps in the first World War and the Shrewsbury Branch of the Royal Air Force Association were honoured to have him as their President for some years.

As a Borough Councillor he was inimitable - no one could copy Tudor, he served in his own cheery way and at civic functions he was the life and soul of the party. He was on the Estates Committee, Market and Fairs Committee and for some years was Chairman of the Baths Committee. He was Mayor of Shrewsbury in 1955 and, at the same time, was sworn in as a Justice of the Peace. He was appointed an Alderman in 1956 and served the Coton Hill Ward on the Council with distinction and loyalty for 16 years.

His football career was quite remarkable, he signed on at the Gay Meadow for the Town in 1921 as an amateur. He was capped at Welsh Junior International level, he later played in goal at senior level for Shrewsbury, Derby County, Newcastle (where he met his wife), Crewe, Oswestry and back to Shrewsbury. Appointed a Director, he gave over thirty years service on the Board, the last ten as President.

Tudor had a great love of youth, he believed most of the crimes of Society could be eliminated if people participated in sport. He gave a lifetime of service to the Amateur Athletics Association, when his competing days were over - he could be found marking out the tracks, acting as a Coach, Starter, Judge, nothing was too much trouble and for some years he was President of the County Association and served at Regional and National level. With all these activities Tudor also found time to serve on the West Midland Agricultural Show Committee and as a Vice President on the famous Flower Show Committee.

In 1961, the late Dr.Humphrey Foy and Frank Leath met four Directors of the Football Club seeking permission to establish broadcasts from the Gay Meadow ground to the Royal Salop Infirmary. They made the first broadcast of a match in 1962. Tudor, with two other Directors, served on the first Committee and he was the first on the Committee to volunteer to act as a D.J.

For many years before the end he was, unfortunately, immobile and for a man with such a zest for life, this was traumatic. However, he remained cheerful to the end and he will be remembered by all of us at the Gay Meadow with affection.



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# Back in Time

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### THIRTY YEARS AGO

In a game that was a rehearsal for the second round F.A.Cup-tie a week later we beat Crystal Palace 2-1 here on November 29th 1958. Ray Russell gave us the lead close on half-time and early in the second half Gordon Skeech made it 2-0 from a penalty awarded when Arthur Rowley was brought down. Johnny Byrne, a future England man, pulled one back shortly afterwards and in a lively finish in which both teams went close Russell Crossley did well in our goal.

**SHREWSBURY:** Crossley; Hobson; Skeech; Wallace; Maloney; Walters; Jones; Russell; Edgley; Rowley; Whitaker.

**CRYSTAL PALACE:** Rouse; Skingley; Noakes; McNichol; Choules; Long; Priestley; Byrne; Brett; Pierce; Colling.

Attendance: 4,135.

We were now tenth in Division Four while Swindon were seventh in Division Three after beating Southend 2-1 with goals from Jimmy Kelly and George Hudson (penalty).

### TWENTY YEARS AGO

We drew 1-1 here with Mansfield on November 30th 1968 with both goals coming in the first half. Barry Stobart for us and Dudley Roberts for the Stags.

**SHREWSBURY:** Phillips; Gregory; Fellows; Roberts (Garbett); Wood; Pountney; Meredith; Clapham; Stobart; Douglas; McLoughlin.

**MANSFIELD:** Hollins; Pate; Hopkinson; Keeley; Boam; Waller; Goodfellow; Quigley; Ledger; Roberts; Sharkey (Todd).

Attendance: 2,594.

We were now just above Oldham and Brighton at the bottom of Division Three while Swindon were third behind Bournemouth. Watford and Stockport even though their game was postponed. In Division One Roger Hunt got Liverpool's matchwinner at Nottingham Forest and they were now two points ahead of Everton, who hammered Leicester 7-1 with Joe Royle getting a hat-trick.

### TEN YEARS AGO

We won 2-1 at Mansfield, this time in a first round F.A.Cup-tie on November 25th, 1978 with Ian Atkins scoring in the first half and Steve Biggins after the break.

**MANSFIELD:** Arnold; Curtis; Foster(B); McClelland; Saxby; Bird; Miller; Goodwin; Syrett; Wood; Allen.

**SHREWSBURY:** Wardle; King; Leonard; Turner; Griffin; Hayes; Chapman; Tong; Atkins; Biggins; Maguire.

Attendance: 4,881.

Swindon beat non-league March 2-0 with Paul Gilchrist and Chick Bates finding the net and in the tie between Barnet and Woking Jimmy Greaves was sent off for comments he made. Liverpool stayed top of Division One but Everton and Nottingham Forest remained unbeaten.

Geoff Allman.

# Town Talk Town Talk



### ● THE OTHER SHREWS v WATFORD GAMES

Prior to our last home game with Watford at gay Meadow on November 19th, members of the Shrewsbury Town family stand took on their rivals, the members of the Watford family stand.

Two games were played at the Springfield Playing Fields in Shrewsbury at 12 noon. They were for under-10's and under-12's. Watford won the under-12 game 2-0, but the under-10's drew 2-2 and below we show the members of that lineup, and the front cover insert shows some of the games action. Well done to all it was a great advertisement for the game.

### ● A VERY GRATEFUL WATFORD SUPPORTER

We have received the following letter from a Watford supporter, Martin Pleasance.

Dear Ian McNeill,

I would like to thank you very much for the co-operation on Saturday 19th November. I have been a Watford supporter for as long as I can remember but they were not very helpful about Saturday's match. Recently I had an operation on my knee which meant that I needed a ticket in the seating area. When I phoned Watford they said that I would need to be a season ticket holder to get a seat, especially as I was making my own way there. Before making the long journey I decided to phone you to see if a seat was possible and to my delight you said yes. I was told that once I

got to the ground to see a senior police officer who would let me have a seat. Apart from the two incidents in the first half I really enjoyed the game. Your stewards were helpful and treated me very well.

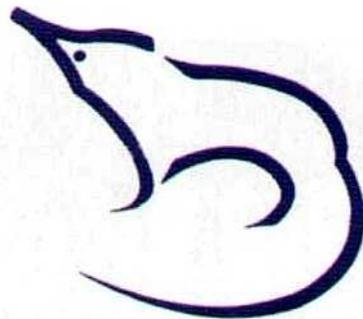
I hope you will print this in your programme so that other people can see how well you treat your visitors.

Once again thank you for a lovely day and I hope to see you at Watford.

### BARCLAYS LEAGUE DIVISION 2

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Watford	18	10	3	5	30	18	33
Blackburn	18	10	3	5	32	23	33
Manchester C	18	9	5	4	24	17	32
Chelsea	18	8	6	4	30	19	30
Portsmouth	18	8	6	4	29	21	30
WBA	18	8	6	4	27	19	30
Barnsley	18	7	6	5	25	24	27
Stoke City	18	7	6	5	21	22	27
Ipswich Town	18	8	2	8	25	22	26
Leicester City	18	6	7	5	22	25	25
Crystal Palace	17	6	6	5	28	25	24
Bournemouth	18	7	3	8	20	21	24
Plymouth	17	7	3	7	23	26	24
Sunderland	17	5	8	4	23	21	23
Leeds United	18	5	8	5	19	19	23
Swindon Town	17	5	7	5	23	24	22
Bradford City	18	5	7	6	18	19	22
Oldham Ath	18	5	6	7	29	29	21
Oxford United	19	5	5	9	30	30	20
Hull City	18	5	5	8	20	29	20
Brighton	17	5	2	10	22	27	17
Shrewsbury	18	3	8	7	13	23	17
Walsall	18	2	8	8	17	22	14
Birmingham	18	3	4	11	13	35	13

# Town Talk Town Talk



## ● SUPPORTERS CLUB NOTES

The next meeting of the Supporters Club will be on Monday 12th December at 8.00 p.m. in the players lounge at Gay Meadow. All members are welcome.

Our first round of the Sporting Triangles will take place.

Two teams will be supplied by the players. The other teams will be (1) Ken and David Phillips. (2) Brian and Stuart Dunn. (3) Dave Paddock and Paul Buckley. (4) Mark Sandford and Dave Smith. (5) Mike Jones and his son. (6) Eddie Geisler and G. Lucas.

The first leg of the National Federation Quiz was held at Liverpool on Sunday 27th November. Liverpool have a lead of 41 for the second leg which will be held at 12 noon on Sunday 18th December in the Players Lounge at Gay Meadow, all members are invited to attend.

## ● AWAY TRAVEL

Leeds United - December 10th. Depart Gay Meadow at 10.30am and the Bucks Head, Wellington at 11.00am.

Manchester City - December 17th. Depart Gay Meadow at 11.45am and the Bucks Head, Wellington at 12.15pm.

Booking can be made at the Club Shop today and at every home game as well as telephoning Chris on Telford 604742 between 7 and 9pm any evening but no later than 48 hours prior to the game in question.

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## ● NEXT AT GAY MEADOW

Wednesday 7th December - Midland Youth Cup, Round Two. SWINDON TOWN - kick off 7.00pm.

Saturday 10th December. Shropshire Senior Schools. National Qualifying Final. OSWESTRY SCHOOL v SHREWSBURY SIXTH FORM COLLEGE - Kick Off 10.30am.

Tuesday 13th December. Bernard McNally Testimonial Match. SHREWSBURY TOWN SELECT XI v ARSENAL - Kick Off 7.30pm.

## DIVISION TWO GATES TO DATE

	Highest	Lowest	Average
Leeds United	28,080	15,857	19,791
Manchester C	22,594	16,033	19,567
Sunderland	18,141	13,529	15,424
Ipswich	15,521	9,067	13,013
Watford	12,656	10,356	12,145
Portsmouth	15,263	9,567	11,587
Bradford City	13,046	8,011	11,090
Chelsea	19,210	6,747	10,890
Leicester City	13,082	9,201	10,781
WBA	11,843	7,248	10,482
Crystal Palace	17,490	7,006	9,839
Stoke City	10,505	7,025	8,446
Swindon Town	11,347	5,328	8,322
Blackburn	10,082	6,898	8,225
Brighton	10,039	6,311	8,198
Bournemouth	9,500	5,499	7,972
Plymouth	10,158	6,298	7,952
Walsall	8,780	5,848	6,720
Birmingham	10,453	4,892	6,591
Barnsley	9,300	4,937	6,580
Hull City	8,261	4,845	6,606
Oldham	8,124	4,550	6,454
Oxford	9,398	4,385	6,110
Shrewsbury	5,851	3,287	4,712



Our mascot against Watford was Richard Powell and above he is pictured with Alan Irvine before the game.

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# TOPIC

Was it a coin? Or was it a sandwich? Or was it a hamburger? These were the objects that were variously reported as being thrown at Kenny Dalglish at Villa Park recently. What all reports agreed upon was that the offending object was thrown back by the Liverpool manager though whether it actually struck his original assailant was not reported.

Now the social historian of a hundred years hence may be very eager to conclude from the above incident that such was the affluence in Britain in the latter part of the twentieth century that money and food is expendable in this way. For soccer at a time in its history when no-one can predict the future with confidence the concerns are of rather a different and perhaps even more serious kind.

For it was the reaction of the police that struck most fans when they mulled it over in the pub over the next few days. There was a report of them questioning Dalglish and for a time radio commentators wondered whether a charge was about to be made. Happily a police announcement followed to the effect that no further action was being taken. There was no mention of any effort being made to find the original culprit, who had hurled the missile, whether coin, sandwich or hamburger.

Fans have long been unhappy with the tendency in respect of on-field offences to punish retaliation more than any original offence. It is even more dangerous if assaults on players or managers are not clamped down upon rigidly. One recalls almost twenty years ago Harry Gregg in his days as Manchester United manager having questions to answer after he had struck back at a fan at the end of a game. One recalls too Frank Large the former

Oldham and Hereford striker once being sent off after getting into an altercation with a spectator though it was later announced that the reason for this was to protect him from further danger.

As in many things in life prevention is better than cure and if from this recent altercation at Villa Park followed closely by a bit of a dugout fracas at the Arsenal v Derby game three days later there is a definite police presence to protect managers both in dugouts and on their way to and from dugouts then some good will have come out of the much-publicised incidents.

As a side issue to the above there has been a fair amount of publicity given recently to police warnings of players and managers concerning their language on or near the field of play. Whether this is all part of the game in a permissive society is a matter of opinion, but if we are erring on the side of high standards then again fans must surely be equally liable to sanctions when they are pouring out tirades of filth towards players, managers and, yes, of referees.

One recalls that many years ago when a goalkeeper in one of our games pulled off a great save in a game, a fan with a polished accent called out 'Bloody good save'. 'Here here' called out another prosperous looking gent. It would be sad if such commendations were likely to lead to police action. It would be sad on the other hand if players and managers had continually to be on edge in case of attack from fans in some shape or form and if hooliganism that has certainly been reduced in grounds in recent months were to take on a particular form of baiting managers in dugouts.



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# SCENE

with Geoff Allman

## SOCCER

Despite a tremendous display by Ron Green our run of only one defeat in eight games came to an end at Stamford Bridge on Saturday when we went down 2-0, leaving Chelsea with a current record of five wins and a draw in their last six home games. Defender Tony Dorigo and striker Kerry Dixon scored the goals, just as they did two months ago in the 2-0 win over Walsall.

Brighton's biggest gate of the season saw them chalk up an emphatic 3-0 win over Sunderland on Saturday to end the Rokerites' unbeaten run of eight league and cup games. After a dreadful start to the season Brighton have now won four home games in a row and they have now beaten Sunderland four times in their last five visits to the Goldstone Ground.

Four goals from former Darlington man David Currie helped Barnsley to a spectacular 5-2 win over Bournemouth on Saturday, this being their highest score since they beat Stoke by a similar score just over a year ago. Meanwhile Tommy Tynan, the only other player to have scored four goals in a Second Division game this season, was on the mark again in Plymouth's 3-0 win over Oldham to take his season's tally to 16. Plymouth have now beaten Oldham three times in three games at Home Park and the Latics are now without an away win since their 4-1 win at Maine Road at the end of August.

Since then Manchester City have been unbeaten at Maine Road and Walsall and Birmingham are two of the only three teams to take a point from there. Birmingham now seem to be slowly getting their act together and Steve Witton's first league goal of the season brought them what was only their second home win of the season when they beat Ipswich on Saturday. This was the third time in five home games against Ipswich that Blues have won 1-0. Plenty of goals in Crystal Palace's game recently with two successive 4-2 wins. They lost 5-3 at The Hawthorns on Saturday when Don Goodman got a hat-trick as Albion took their record to 5 wins and 3 draws in their last 9 games.

Blackburn also kept up a sequence when beating Portsmouth for the third successive time on visits to Ewood Park, this ending Pompey's unbeaten run of nine league games. Two of Blackburn's goals came from former Liverpool, Birmingham and Sunderland winger Howard Gayle, who has now netted nine goals this season, his best tally in ten years in the game.

Currently on the crest of a wave, Leeds United beat Stoke 4-0 for the second time in four seasons and extended their unbeaten run to ten league games. This was Stoke's first defeat in their last five league games.

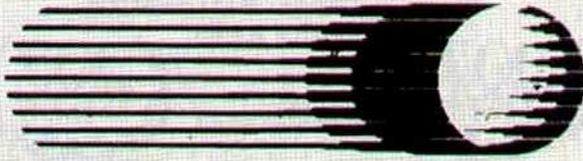
Meanwhile in Division One Aston Villa lost their fourth game in a row, the last three by a 2-1 margin when going down at Coventry on Saturday their first defeat in 25 games against the Sky Blues. One has to go back to a prewar Second Division game in February 1937 for the Sky Blues last win over Villa.

Only one win in their last six home games is the unusual current record of Liverpool, who were held to a 1-1 draw on Saturday thanks to a late own goal from Steve Nicol. The Dons have now won one, drawn one and lost one of their last three games at Anfield.

Wolves go into tomorrow's game at Northampton looking for a club record of nine successive league wins. They have achieved eight wins in a row on three previous occasions - in 1914/15, 1966/67 and 1986/87 and they equalled this on Saturday with Steve Bull's four goals against Preston, taking his season's tally to 17 in a game between two of the original twelve members of the Football League.

Scarborough have been in the Football League for only just over a year but they are already pushing for promotion - and they already have a bogey side. Last season they lost both games against Wrexham without scoring and on Saturday they lost 3-0 at home to the Welsh club to end an unbeaten run of 11 league games. Ollie Kearns got two of the goals to take Wrexham's current record to only one defeat in their last ten league games though in between times they have gone out of the F.A. Cup to Runcorn.

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Good afternoon all.

Our trips to two of the Division's top sides brought us a welcome three points and kept us on the heels of the main group. Our win at Blackburn was a first class performance, and gave us confidence for our visit to Stamford Bridge, however the game only proved that we still have a long way to go, and also that Chelsea must be big favourites to go up, they were definitely the best side we have played to date.



Today we welcome Lou Macari and his Swindon Town side to the Gay Meadow. Swindon are also in need of points so the match is most definitely an important one for both clubs. Also I give a warm welcome to former Shrews' men Chic Bates, David Qeddiss and Ross MacLaren.

Our disqualification from the Welsh Cup because of a technicality seemed a trifle hard after all Ron Green had been with us for six weeks before playing against Caernarfon Town. There is no way we had tried to break the rules of the competition by playing an ineligible player, surely such a small technicality would have given a replay to Caernarfon rather than a dismissal from the competition.

However the attendance at the game was only 411 and maybe this showed that our supporters didn't feel a great love for the competition.

By the time you read these notes I am hopeful that we have signed Ron Green on a permanent basis. He has done exceptionally well in his period with us.

Enjoy today's game.

**Ian McNeill.**

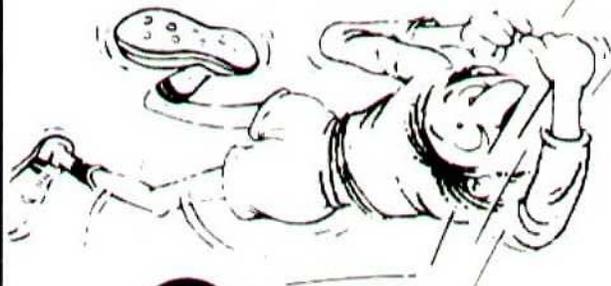
For this issue only we have placed Ian's notes later in the programme as we wanted to pay respect to our late President and Director early in the programme.



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## Friday November 18th.

Venerable Terry of Tottenham has voiced his annoyance that his club are fined two points for failing to fulfil a fixture whilst a certain other club across the Metropolis receive nothing save repeated trivial fines for persistent, should we say, physical transgressions. Personally I reckon the two point fine on Spurs is entirely justified. I also feel, however, that clubs whose players repeatedly show a total lack of self-discipline and self-respect should be clobbered in at least as severe a manner.

Perhaps every booking and sending off in the League should be allocated a number of penalty points, totalled up at the end of the season. The clubs would then be ranked in divisional order, with the club receiving fewest penalty points being allocated a rating of zero and the club with the worst record being handed a rating of nineteen (in a twenty club division). Those ratings would be subtracted directly from the overall points tally at the end of the season. Hence if a club got eighty League points at the end of a season, but were the least disciplined in the division, they would end up with a net points total of sixty-one. A club with the best disciplinary record and sixty-two League points would, accordingly, finish higher. After all, it might reasonably be assumed that the former club could be said to have cheated their way to more success on the park.

Revolutionary and unworkable? I wonder. If it was up to me I'd take it still further - materially penalising teams that play the offside game; rewarding goals with extra points, and so on.

## Saturday November 19th.

The F.A.Cup, Round One proper. There just isn't a competition to match it. And, today, the usual batch of shocks. As a town, Bognor may long have been the butt of comedian's jokes, but their football team showed that they have few non-league peers (geddit?) by sinking Exeter City. But how would you like to be Preston's Bob Atkins? He must have felt ten feet tall when scoring after 84 minutes against Tranmere. Imagine his chagrin, then, when his own goal earned the Birkenhead club a replay with virtually the last kick of the game.

## Sunday November 20th.

Sheffield Wednesday and Spurs live on the box, two teams picking their way over the snow like a Miss World in high heels dodging the dog-doings in the local park. Frankly, I don't believe that in 1988 any First Division club should need to put on a fixture on such a snowbound pitch; a

decent undersoil heating system costs a fraction of the fee fetched by a half-baked player in this day and age. Leicester City can educate everyone in the matter of 'tents' to protect pitches. And a decent weather-forecast, a few deliveries of straw and the odd willing helper has kept many a Rugby Union international 'on' down the years.

Bristol Rovers' defender Ian Alexander is a very lucky young man indeed. He swallowed his false teeth in a collision with a colleague and, for his life, can thank three minutes of frantic struggle by physio Roy Dolling who wrenched the wretched items from his throat. As Nobby Stiles, and indeed yours truly, will tell you, never, but never, go into **any** form of physical exercise with your falsies in. Trust in your Steradent!

## Tuesday November 22nd.

The opening of Parliament and official announcement of the Bill to establish a membership card scheme for football supporters. As I have said before, I have mixed feelings. Personally it would come down my list of the government's priorities. Number one would be an identity system and severe penalisation of folk who own dogs with uncontrollable bowels. Number two would be instant deportation for morons who hog the middle lane of deserted motorways or who reckon the fast lane is for crawling. Priorities, it seems to me, are misplaced.

## Wednesday November 23rd.

Paul Grant, Fareham Town's goalkeeper, who played so well in the F.A.Cup against Torquay, has attracted that club's interest it seems. So what have Torquay (and the other League clubs) been messing about at down the years? For Grant has played for the Hampshire team for nigh on twenty years and is 36 if he's a day? If he was to come into the League now it would be a sensation even bigger than that of Tony Book in the Sixties who was 28 before he saw fame and fortune with Plymouth and Manchester City.

## Thursday November 24th.

Glasgow Rangers have been sold for £6 million. Outgoing chairman Lawrence Marlborough says "I am delighted that Mr Murray (the buyer) is Scottish and that he is a genuine Rangers supporter". So how come, then, that David Murray twice tried to buy Ayr United earlier this year? He was told that the seaside club was not for sale 'at any price'. That being the case, £6 million for Rangers is a snip for a club which made a tidy profit for the year ending May 31st 1988 of £1,489,387 and which can still attract top players like flies round the proverbial midden

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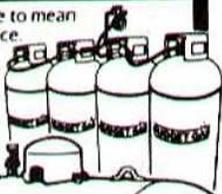
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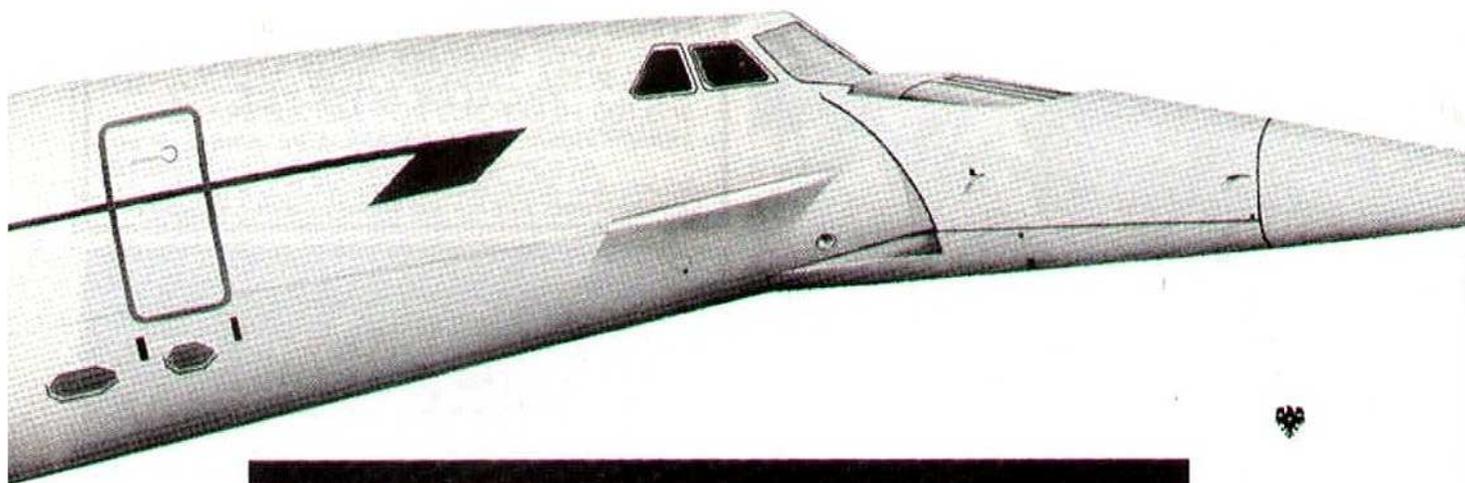
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## MIDLAND SENIOR LEAGUE

**September 7th 1988 - Shrewsbury 4 Wrexham 1.**

Scorers: Smith, Griffiths 3.

Shrewsbury continued their fine start to the Senior League with a confident all round performance. Carl Griffiths had an outstanding game and grabbed himself a well earned hat trick.

**September 14th 1988 - Shrewsbury 0 Peterborough 2.**

A very disappointing result for Town, which did not reflect the fine quality of play. In what was a very physical game, Town were let down by some poor finishing after good approach work.

**October 5th 1988 - Shrewsbury 7 Scarborough 1.**

Scorers: McLean, Steele, Irvine 2, Brown 3.

After a delayed start due to the late arrival of the Scarborough team bus, Town started in confident mood and soon took the lead against poor opposition. Mike Brown was outstanding, scoring two good goals before completing his hat-trick with a last minute penalty.

**October 11th 1988 - Shrewsbury 3 Walsall 4.**

Scorers: Priest, Irvine 2.

A very entertaining game, with four of the goals coming in a five minute spell just before half time. The best goal of the first half came from Priest with a thirty yard shot. Priest was also greatly involved in the second half when he had to take over in goal from the injured Gavid Ward. Priest produced some good saves and didn't let in a goal. Overall Town deserved a share of the points.

**October 19th 1988 - Shrewsbury 4 Halifax 0.**

Scorers: Osbourne, Melrose 2, Griffiths.

Town had the best possible start with Osbourne scoring after only 50 seconds. Melrose scored two goals and then denied himself a hat trick by unselfishly squaring the ball to Griffiths.

**October 26th 1988 - Shrewsbury 2 Chester 1.**

Scorers: B. Williams, Melrose.

Another confident performance with Melrose again on the score sheet. Brian Williams scored Town's other goal to secure the points.

**November 9th 1988 - Shrewsbury 3 Chesterfield 1.**

Scorers: Steel, Osbourne, W. Williams.

A strong Town side took on Chesterfield who included ex-Town player Dave Waller. The final score does not reflect the close game, with all the goals coming late in the match. Steele had a fine game on the wing.

**November 23rd 1988 - Shrewsbury 1 Birmingham 1.**

Scorer: Griffiths.

Birmingham took the lead after a series of Town defensive errors. Town battled back and eventually equalised. Griffiths scored after a fine run by Kasule.

Gary Bright.

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# WELCOME

# Swindon Town

Today we welcome a Swindon Town side currently seeking to halt something of a slide which has seen them lose four successive games since the beginning of November. This is perhaps something that will prove to be only a temporary hiccup for a club who were in Division Four just three years ago and who last season at one point seemed to have even Division One within their sights.

Founded in 1881 they were known at first as Swindon Spartans, then becoming Swindon Town in 1883 and joining the Southern League in 1894. They finished bottom of nine clubs in their first season there, but then after being runners-up in both 1909 and 1910 they topped the table in 1911. Meanwhile they also wrote their name clearly in F.A.Cup history by reaching the semi-final of 1910 and 1912 and taking Barnsley to a replay in the latter.

They were Southern League champions again in 1914 and together with other members of that league they became founder-members of the new Division Three in 1920. This became Division Three (South) a year later. They stayed in that Division throughout its existence until the reorganisation in 1958, highlights including runs to the F.A.Cup fifth round in 1948, when beaten at Southampton and 1952 when beaten at Luton.

They qualified for the new Division Three in 1958 and stayed there until winning promotion for the first time ever in 1963. Then although relegated two years later they got together one of the finest Third Division sides ever with Peter Downsborough in goal, John Trollope in defence and Mike Summerbee, Don Rogers and Ernie Hunt up front. Though these players moved on one by one Swindon still managed to reach the last eight of the F.A.Cup in 1966/67 and won promotion and the Football League Cup in the same season 1968/69.

They stayed up this time until 1974, but then came a sudden slide that landed them in Division Four in 1982. Then after four seasons they roared back to Division Three in 1986 and the momentum carried them straight up again in 1987 when after ending the season with an 11-game unbeaten run they battled through the playoffs to land in Division Two.

There they were as high as fourth in October and though they did not quite sustain this they finished in a very creditable twelfth place and also reached the Simod Cup semi-final in which they went down 2-1 at Luton.

## THIS SEASON

With Lou Macari now in his fifth season at the helm and turning down at least one First Division offer they have so far won at Watford and drawn at Barnsley, Blackburn, Oxford and Leicester. They have gone out of the Littlewoods Cup at Crystal Palace and out of the Simod Cup at Norwich and their otherwise good home record has been marred by the recent defeat at the hands of Ipswich.

Leading scorer so far is **Steve White**, who got 13 goals last season and others to look out for include **Jon Gittens**, who came from Southampton last season and former Aldershot winger **Bobby Barnes**.

Former Huddersfield striker **Duncan Shearer** has been substitute recently while in midfield **Alan McLaughlin** is likely to be linking up with ex-Grimsby and Sheffield United man **Steve Foley** and long-serving **Charlie Henry**. In defence **David Hockaday** came from Blackpool in 1983 and he is likely to be on the opposite flank from **Phil King** (from Torquay last season) with **Tim Parkin** (from Bristol City two years ago) in the centre. Former Oxford man **Mark Jones** may also be in a defensive role as may goalsnatcher Jon Gittens, while **Colin Calderwood**, who is in his fourth season since moving from Mansfield has been substitute recently. In goal **Fraser Digby** came from Manchester United just two years ago.

# Swindon Town



## SWINDON TOWN SEASON 1988/89

Back Row: Charlie Henry, Fraser Digby, Nicky Hammond, Tim Parkin.

Middle Row: Dave Hockaday, Phil King, Duncan Shearer, Jon Gittens, Ross MacLaren, Steve White, Leigh Barnard.

Front Row: Bobby Barnes, Peter Coyne, Paul Bodin, Colin Calderwood (Capt), Steve Foley, Alan McLoughlin, Mark Jones.

### COLIN CALDERWOOD - Defender.

Colin, who joined Swindon Town from Mansfield Town in June 1985, for a Football League tribunal fee of £27,500 has been a stalwart at the heart of the Town's defence in the clubs last three seasons. Colin had the honour of captaining the Swindon through two successive seasons of promotion in the 1985/86 and 1986/87 campaigns. After making 131 consecutive league appearances since his signing in July 1985, injury interrupted Colin's progress last season. Although the form of the Scottish born defender has often attracted the attention of several of the country's leading clubs, he has still remained at the County Ground. League appearances are with Mansfield Town 97 + (3) and Swindon Town 125 + (1) prior to this season.

### JON GITTENS - Defender.

This former Southampton defender proved himself a firm favourite with the County Ground faithful, with some determined and enthusiastic performances last season. Jon, who moved to Swindon for a £45,000 football league tribunal fee, in July 1987, was playing non-league football for Paget Rangers in the Midland Combination League, before accepting a successful trial period at the Dell. It was a commanding central defensive performance against Ian Rush, for the 'Saints', versus Liverpool, that first brought him to the attention of Lou Macari. League appearances prior to this season are, with Southampton 14 and Swindon Town 27+(2).

### TIM PARKIN - Defender.

During the close season Tim signed a new two year contract with Swindon. The former Blackburn Rovers, Malmo and Bristol Rovers central defender was named 'Player of the Year' in May 1988 by the Swindon's Supporters Club. This vastly experienced defender must rate as one of Lou Macari's best signings, when he secured the signature of the Penrith born player in July 1986. The subsequent fee of £27,500 was settled by a league tribunal. League appearances are with Blackburn Rovers 13, Bristol Rovers 205 + (3) and prior to this season with Swindon Town 71 + (1).

### DAVE HOCKADAY - Defender.

Dave signed a new two year contract with the Swindon in the summer of 1988. Formerly with Blackpool he moved to the County Ground in August 1983 as a winger and enjoyed one of the best seasons of his career, last season. Since his conversion to a full-back position, his form has been enhanced. Dave has been a regular member of the Swindon Town team that has risen from the Fourth Division under the guidance of Lou Macari's management. With Blackpool he has made 131 + (16) league appearances and with Swindon Town 171 + (17) prior to this season.

### PHIL KING - Defender.

Phil was the only player to appear in every league match last season. He began his career with Exeter City in May 1985, before joining Torquay United in July 1986, for a league tribunal settled transfer fee of £3,000. Although Phil originally joined Swindon Town on a months loan in February 1987, his transfer became permanent one month later for a £12,000 fee. Torquay United are entitled to one-third of any transfer fee, if Phil is transferred in the future. League appearances with Exeter City are 24 + (3) with Torquay United 24 and prior to this season with Swindon Town 64 + (1).



### STEVE WHITE - Striker.

Steve must represent one of the best free transfer signings in the history of the Swindon as since he was signed from Bristol Rovers in July 1986, he has scored 35 goals, in 61 full first team appearances. The former Charlton Athletic and Luton Town striker, had no hesitation in renewing his links with Swindon Town in the summer after his contract had expired. Steve, who was once the subject of a six figure transfer fee between Bristol Rovers and Luton Town, in his first spell with Rovers, signed a new three year contract in June 1988. League appearances prior to this season are, for Bristol Rovers 46+(4), Luton Town 63 +(9), Charlton Athletic 29, Lincoln City (loan) 2+(1), Bristol Rovers 89+(12), Swindon Town 46+(14).

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# Meet the Players

## ROSS MACLAREN - Defender.

Ross joined Swindon Town on a conditional transfer fee, decided by a Football League tribunal at £150,000 in July 1988. He entered the Football League from Glasgow Rangers on a free transfer to us. After five seasons at Gay Meadow, Ross joined Derby County in July 1985, after a Football League tribunal commission has set the fee at £67,000. In three seasons at the Baseball Ground, Ross helped the East Midland Club to win promotion from the Third Division, to the First Division. Ross was an ever-present during his first two seasons with Derby County. League appearances are with Shrewsbury Town 158+(3) and Derby County 113+(9).

## STEVE FOLEY - Midfield.

Steve joined Swindon Town in July 1987 for a league tribunal fee of £35,000. The former Sheffield United midfielder player had joined the Yorkshire Club from Grimsby Town in July 1985. Steve began his career with Liverpool, without making a breakthrough into the Anfield Club's league team. His actual League debut came while he was on loan to Fulham in December 1983. Suspensions dogged his first season with them. League appearances are with Liverpool 0, Fulham (loan) 3, Grimsby Town 31, Sheffield United 66 and Swindon Town 36 prior to this season.

## LEIGH BARNARD - Midfield.

This hardworking midfielder is one of only three players who were at the County Ground before Lou Macari arrived to take over the managerial role in July 1986. A free transfer signing from Portsmouth in July 1984, Leigh has played a significant role in Swindon's successful efforts to regain its Second Division status, after languishing in the lower Divisions for twelve seasons. Leigh signed a new one year contract with them in July 1988. League appearances prior to this season are; with Portsmouth 71 + (8), Peterborough Utd (loan) 1 + (3), Swindon Town 206 + (4) and Exeter City (Loan) 6.

## TOM JONES - Forward.

Signed in September from Aberdeen, Tom made 15 full appearances and 14 as substitute last season for the Dons scoring 3 goals. Since joining Swindon he has scored 2 goals in his 11 outings.

## CHARLIE HENRY - Midfield.

Charlie, who is due a testimonial match this season, after ten years service with Swindon Town, originally joined the club as an apprentice. A utility player, who can virtually play in any position, he was their leading goalscorer in the season that Swindon Town won the Fourth Division championship, with a record number of points - 102 in 1985/86. Charlie signed a new one year contract with them at the beginning of this season. League appearances are, prior to this season, with Swindon Town 187 + (14), Torquay United 6, and Northampton Town 4.

## BOBBY BARNES - Striker.

Bobby joined Swindon Town from Aldershot for £50,000 in an exchange deal that took midfielder Steve Berry, to the Recreation Ground in October 1987. This former West Ham United apprentice scored 11 goals last season, to help the Wiltshire club attain a comfortable mid-table position on their return to the Second Division. League appearances are West Ham United 31+(12), Scunthorpe Utd (loan) 6, Aldershot 52 and Swindon Town 26+(2) prior to this campaign.

## DUNCAN SHEARER - Striker.

Duncan was the subject of a quarter of a million pound transfer deal during June, that was a record for both Huddersfield Town and Swindon Town. He had been a target for Town boss, Lou Macari, when he was with Chelsea before moving north to Huddersfield. This free scoring striker would appear to be an ideal replacement for Northern Ireland international striker, Jimmy Quinn, who moved to Leicester City in June, on a freedom of contract move. Prior to this season his League appearances are Chelsea 2 and Huddersfield Town 80+(3).

## ALAN MCLOUGHLIN - Midfield.

A former Manchester United apprentice moved south to join Swindon Town on a free transfer in August 1986, and is another of the players on the Town's books who can be rightly described as a utility player. Alan, who has spent two loan spells with Torquay United, signed a new two year contract with the County Ground club in May 1988. Alan was a member of Manchester United's Central League team during Lou Macari's playing career at Old Trafford, and played alongside the former Scotland international in the latter days of his career. League appearances prior to this season are; with Swindon Town 15 + (2) and Torquay United 16.

## PAUL BODIN - Midfield.

Paul was signed from Newport County in March 1988 for a fee of £25,000. Amazingly he had only been with the Somerton Park Club for four weeks following his signing from Bath City. This former Cardiff City midfielder player must have been relieved to have another opportunity to build a career in League soccer, for Newport County were destined to leave the Football League at the completion of last season. League appearances are with Cardiff City 68, Newport County 6 and Swindon Town 3+(2) prior to this season.

## PETER COYNE - Midfield.

Another former Manchester United apprentice who was Lou Macari's first ever signing for Swindon Town, when he took over as manager in July 1984. The former England Schoolboy International, who was outstanding at that level, never matured to the level expected of him, and despite a short period at Old Trafford, and several seasons with Crewe Alexandra, he twice drifted into non-league soccer between spells with these two Football League clubs. Peter cost Swindon Town £5,000 when they signed him from non-playing Hyde United. League appearances are, prior to this season, Manchester United 2, Crewe Alexandra 113 + (21) and Swindon Town 50 + (11).

## MARK JONES - Midfield.

A former Oxford United midfielder player missed the whole of last season through injury. After sustaining a knock in training, his knee gave way, in a pre-season friendly against Gloucester City in August 1987. Mark had helped Swindon Town to promotion from the Third Division the previous season. He cost the club £25,000 when they obtained his signature from their nearby rivals in October 1986. Mark had enjoyed playing a part in Oxford United's rise to the First Division during his career at Manor Road. League appearances are Oxford United 129 and Swindon Town 41 + (3) prior to this season.

## DAVID GEDDIS - Striker.

Needs little introduction to us here at Gay Meadow having scored one goal here in his nine outings this season with us before joining Swindon in late October.

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	Home	Away
DIVISION THREE (SOUTH)		
1951/2	0-1	2-1
1952/3	2-1	2-2
1953/4	1-0	1-2
1954/5	7-0	1-2
1955/6	1-1	1-2
1956/7	7-3	2-1
1957/8	1-3	0-1
DIVISION THREE		
1959/60	3-0	2-4
1960/1	1-1	1-1
1961/2	1-3	2-1
1962/3	1-2	0-1
1965/6	1-1	0-0
1966/7	3-1	2-2
1967/8	0-1	0-0
1968/9	1-1	0-3
1975/6	3-0	0-3
1976/7	2-2	0-1
1977/8	2-3	0-5
1978/9	0-0	1-2
DIVISION TWO		
1987/8	2-1	1-1

Last season's win here was our first over Swindon since September 1975. All the goals came in the first half with Bernard McNally netting an early penalty, David Bamber equalling soon afterwards and Victor Kasule netting his first goal in our colours after 20 minutes with what proved to be the matchwinner. This ended Swindon's run of six league games in a row without defeat.

The point which we got at Swindon last season when Tim Steele equalised with a last minute penalty was also something of a landmark, being our first in six visits there.

While honours were even over the years in our Division Three (South) clashes and Swindon had the best of the games in Division Three we have so far had the best of things in Division Two encounters.  
Geoff Allman.

# MEET JOHN TROLLOPE

## SWINDON'S YOUTH COACH

Having in last season's programme looked at Swindon's manager Lou Macari and that we know only too well of our former manager's career, Chic Bates, today we look at another of Swindon's backroom coaching staff - John Trollope, who is truly one of the most remarkable one-club men of all time having set up an appearance record as a player and then after a spell as manager settling down to become a highly successful assistant to Lou Macari and youth team coach.

Born in Wroughton Wilkes in 1943, he progressed through the junior ranks to make his first team debut for Swindon as a 17-year-old in Division Three in 1960/61 and then earned a regular place in the side from the following April onwards.

Such was his consistency that from then until August 1968 he made 368 consecutive first team appearances, a record beaten only by Harold Bell for Tranmere just after the war.

John also set up some kind of a record in April 1966 when both he and fullback partner Owen Dawson scored against Mansfield within two minutes of each other. John figured in the Swindon promotion sides of both 1963 and 1969 and in the latter year he played in his most memorable game when helping his side to a 3-1 League Cup final win over Arsenal at Wembley when winger Don Rogers netted twice in extra time.

Though missing half of 1968/69 with a broken arm John was an ever-present again in four of the next seven

seasons and then after succeeding Bobby Smith as manager in 1980 he came out of retirement as a player to appear in another 14 games in 1980/81, when he won a PFA Merit Award.

He spent three years as manager, but none were as successful as the last few when he has assisted Lou Macari in a variety of roles and has seen his side climb from Division Four to Division Two in successive seasons and then establish themselves there.

All in all John played in 770 league games for Swindon, the highest number any player has ever played for one club. His sportsmanship has throughout his career been as much a part of him as his consistency.

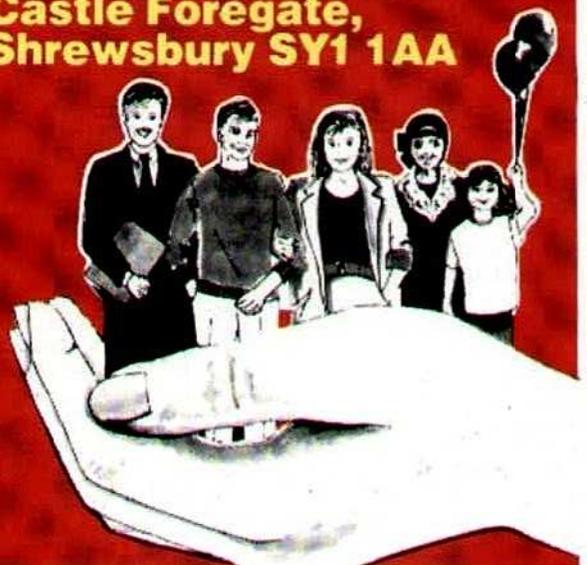
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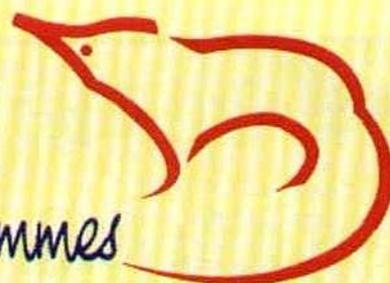
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### SHREWSBURY TOWN v SWINDON TOWN.

January 24th 1952.

Today we look back to our first-ever league game with Swindon Town back in January 1952. This is a particularly valuable programme since it is autographed by our team of that time. The four-page issue selling at three old pence has some interesting notes on Swindon's history and some reflections on our position at the bottom of Division Three(South).

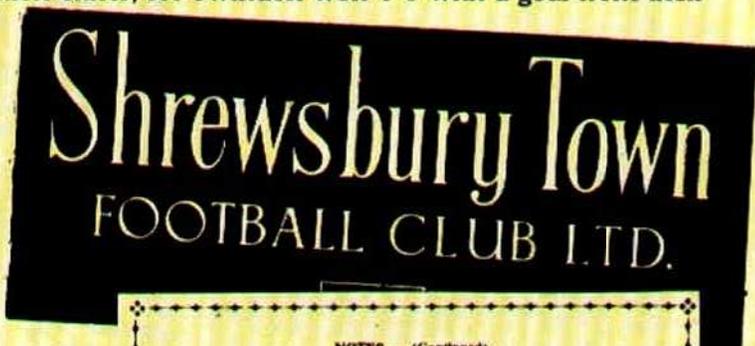
This game did nothing to improve our position either, for Swindon won 1-0 with a goal from their former Chelsea winger Jimmy Bain.

Geoff Allman.

#### NOTES

It will be a complete change for these notes to commence with a reference to our visitors. First of all, Swindon. Those of us who have watched, talked and voiced reminiscences about the grand old game of football will recollect that this club from the railway town in Wiltshire has been a very worthy one for many, many years. Their greatest-ever player, one could safely say, was Harold Fleming. He was one of the finest inside forwards English football has ever known. He played for his country, and always showed that the honour was really deserved. Swindon have also achieved success in the Cup in years gone by. Is this year going to be a repeat performance for them? They have made a good start, anyway—to draw at Cardiff (the Second Division leaders at that time), and then "see them off" to the tune of three goals to none was a grand perform-

ance. Congratulations, Swindon—may we all wish you the best of luck in the next round, and may you help to keep the flag of the Southern Section flying in future rounds. Much of their success this season is due to great play by two of their team—Norman Uprichard, their goalie, and Owen, the centre-forward. The one "stops 'em," the other "lets 'em." Uprichard was once on Arsenal's books, but was allowed to go. Not often that High-bury make a slip, but one feels that perhaps they did here, for he has earned his international cap for Ireland this season. It is hoped you will see him in action and that gaps will be found in his defence by somebody, but it won't be easy. Swindon, we welcome you to Shrewsbury. This is your first visit—may it be the forerunner of many more to come, and may each one be fully



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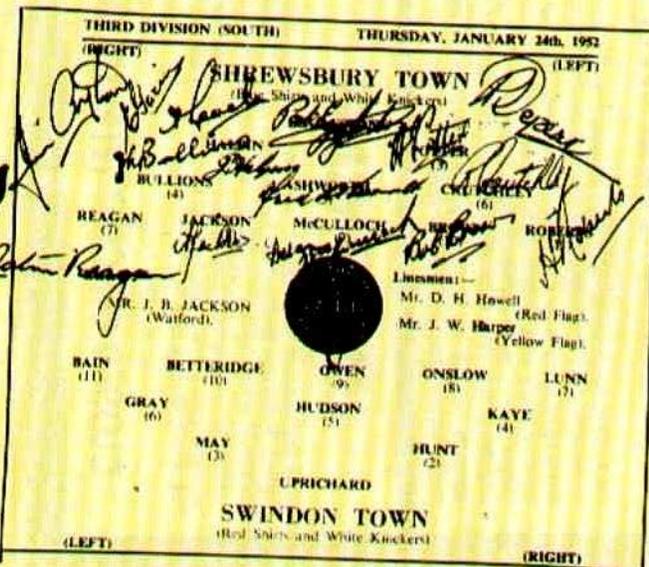
#### NOTES — (Continued)

enjoyed by you.

Saturday brings Colchester to "the Meadow." We have already been there, and on that occasion managed to bring away a point. This club was elected to the Southern Section when we succeeded in beating members of the Northern, so that they are babes like ourselves. Their manager is Jimmy Allen, the famous centre-half who helped to carry Portsmouth to great heights, and afterwards was transferred at a big fee to the Villa when they were in distress some years ago, and eventually went to the Second Division. Colchester found the going hard last season, but seem to have improved since. They have been luckier than us in a way, since they have benefited by experience in the same division during the recent year, while we have had to undergo baptism two seasons in succession. Their key player is, arguably their centre-forward, Vic Keeble—he is sought after by lots of clubs in higher circles, for he is a goal-getter. We offer to Colchester a very warm welcome to Shrewsbury, and hope that this match with them will be full of thrills and good football, and that when the final whistle goes, the balance will be on our side. Sorry, Colchester, but these points are vital to us.

congratulations. Perhaps if we could secure a new face at "the Meadow," he might do as Charlie Mitten did for Fulham last Saturday—brighten up the whole atmosphere, bring encouragement to others, create a new spirit of endeavour, and in the long run bring about such a change that would drive away the dejection and despair of the moment. Valiant efforts have been made and are being made to sign someone whom it is hoped might bring about such a change. Maybe before you read these notes those efforts will have succeeded, and a new member added to our staff. If so, whether on Thursday or Saturday, give him a big hand, let him hear "the Meadow" roar. Overhelm the whole team with encouragement. It may bear fruit. It will bear fruit. Maybe even the ball will take note and run kindly for us, and that can make a tremendous lot of difference. Football is but a game, but it is one that spurs one. It never fails to show up the mistakes—by players, by officials, and by you, the spectators. It is easy to be kind and even cruel, when someone errs. But this does not ease the situation; that tends to make it worse. So, in our moments of despair, let us all help by cheerful encouragement, and if, when the match with Swindon is over, and that with Colchester, we have secured four points, we can shake hands with ourselves and with one another, knowing that we have each done a little towards it. To the players one would say, forget the last few weeks. Enter into these games with a real never-say-die spirit—co-operate one with the other—put all you have into the game—be ever alert—think quickly. In short, play as we all know you can.

Now, what of ourselves? We are still up against it, and at the time of writing, at the very foot of the table. This is very disturbing, and calls for almost superhuman efforts from everybody. Naturally our position makes us the envy of no one, yet there is a human side to our misfortune. The hand of sympathy is often extended, and an expression of hope for future success is oft repeated. But there we are—at the foot of the table—nothing seems to





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<b>AUGUST</b>															
27-PORTSMOUTH	1-2	5,333	Perks	Williams W	Williams B	Priest	Green	Finley	Kasule	McNally P	Irvine	Thomas	Brown	Melrose	Griffin
30-WALSALL L.C. 1 TL	2-2	4,579	Perks	Williams W	Williams B	Priest	Green	Finley	Kasule	McNally	Melrose	Irvine	Brown	Steele	Geddis
<b>SEPTEMBER</b>															
3-BRADFORD CITY	0-1	9,765	Perks	Williams W	Williams B	Rougvie	Green +	Finley	Brown	McNally	Melrose	Irvine	Thomas +	Geddis +	Kasule *
6-WALSALL L.C. 1 2L	0-3	5,552	Perks	Williams W	Williams B	Priest	Green	Finley	Priest	McNally	Geddis	Irvine +	Thomas +	Melrose +	Kasule +
10-WEST BROMWICH ALBION	1-1	5,851	Perks	Williams W	Williams B	Rougvie	Green	Finley	Priest	McNally	Melrose	Irvine	Brown	Kasule +	Melrose *
17-CRYSTAL PALACE	1-1	7,006	Perks	Williams W	Williams B	Rougvie	Rougvie	Finley	Kasule	McNally	Irvine	Thomas +	Brown	Geddis +	Bell
20-IPSWICH TOWN	1-5	4,225	Perks	Williams W	Green	Bell	Rougvie	Finley	Brown	McNally	Irvine +	Thomas +	Kasule	Steele +	Melrose *
24-SUNDERLAND	0-0	4,195	Perks	Williams W	Green	Geddis	Rougvie	Finley	Kasule	McNally	Irvine +	Thomas	Steele	Steele +	Moyes +
<b>OCTOBER</b>															
1-Oxford United	1-4	4,385	Green R	Williams W	Green Rich	Moyes	Rougvie	Finley	Kasule	Bell	Geddis	Irvine	Thomas	Williams B	Griffiths
4-Stoke City	0-0	8,075	Green R	Williams W	Green Rich	Moyes	Rougvie	Finley	Bell	McNally	Geddis	Griffiths	Thomas	Brown	Steele
8-HULL CITY	1-3	3,287	Green Ron	Williams W	Green Rich	Moyes	Rougvie	Finley	Bell	Steele	Geddis	Griffiths	Thomas	Brown	Irvine
15-WALSALL	0-0	5,026	Green Ron	Green Rich	Williams B	Bell	Rougvie	Finley	Brown	Priest	Geddis	Irvine	Thomas	Steele	Melrose
21-Bournemouth	1-0	5,449	Green Ron	Green Rich	Williams B	Bell	Moyes	Finley	Brown	Priest	Geddis	Irvine	Thomas	Rougvie	Griffiths +
25-Plymouth Argyle	0-0	6,298	Green Ron	Green Rich	Williams B	Priest	Moyes	Finley	Brown	Priest	Geddis	Irvine	Thomas	Rougvie	Griffiths +
28-LEICESTER CITY	3-0	5,178	Green Ron	Green Rich	Rougvie	Priest	Moyes	Finley	Brown	Griffiths	Melrose	Irvine 2	Thomas +	Kasule	Williams B +
<b>NOVEMBER</b>															
5-Brighton	1-3	7,365	Green Ron	Green Rich	Rougvie	Priest	Moyes	Finley	Brown	Bell	Melrose +	Irvine	Thomas	Griffiths	Kasule +
9-Leeds United, SC, Rd1	1-3	3,220	Green Ron	Rougvie	Osbourne	Priest P	Moyes	Finley	Griffiths	Bell	Brown +	Irvine	Thomas	Melrose +	Steele
11-OLDHAM ATHLETIC	0-0	4,701	Green Ron	Green Rich	Rougvie	Priest	Moyes	Finley	Steele	Bell	Griffiths	Irvine	Thomas	Brown	Pratley
19-WATFORD	1-1	4,621	Green Ron	Green Rich	Rougvie	Priest	Moyes	Finley	Steele	Bell	Brown	Irvine	Thomas	Osbourne	Griffiths
22-Blackburn Rovers	1-0	6,898	Green Ron	Green Rich	Rougvie	Priest	Moyes	Finley	Steele	Bell	Brown	Irvine	Thomas	Osbourne	Griffiths
26-Chelsea	0-2	11,595	Green Ron	Green Rich	Rougvie	Priest	Moyes	Finley	Steele +	Bell	Kasule	Irvine	Thomas	Pratley	Griffiths +
<b>DECEMBER</b>															
3-SWINDON TOWN															
10-Leeds United															
17-Manchester City															
26-BIRMINGHAM CITY															
31-BARNSLY															
<b>JANUARY</b>															
2-West Bromwich Albion															
7-F.A. Cup 3															
14-BLACKBURN ROVERS															
21-Portsmouth															
28-F.A. Cup 4															
<b>FEBRUARY</b>															
4-STOKE CITY															
11-Hull City															
18-BOURNEMOUTH															
25-Walsall															
28-PLYMOUTH ARGYLE															
<b>MARCH</b>															
3-Oldham Athletic															
11-BRIGHTON															
15-Leicester City															
18-Ipswich Town															
25-BRADFORD CITY															
27-Birmingham City															
<b>APRIL</b>															
1-CRYSTAL PALACE															
4-MANCHESTER CITY															
8-Barnsley															
15-OXFORD UNITED															
22-Sunderland															
29-CHELSEA															
<b>MAY</b>															
1-Swindon Town															
6-Watford															
13-LEEDS UNITED															



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## MIDLAND SENIOR LEAGUE

29-Lincoln City	AUGUST 1988	3-0 Steele; Griffiths; Copson.
7-WREXHAM	SEPTEMBER	4-1 Smith; Griffiths 3
14-PETERBOROUGH UNITED		0-2
21-Birmingham City		0-2
5-SCARBOROUGH	OCTOBER	7-1 McClean, Steele, Irvine 2, Brown 3.
11-Walsall		3-4 Priest; Irvine 2.
19-HALIFAX TOWN		4-0 Griffiths, Mellrose 2, Osbourne
26-CHESTER CITY		2-1 Williams B; Mellrose.
9-CHESTERFIELD	NOVEMBER	3-1 Steele, Osbourne; Williams B.
14-Norampton Town		2-2 Evans 2
23-BIRMINGHAM CITY		1-1 Griffiths
30-HARTLEPOOL UNITED	DECEMBER	
21-Wolves	JANUARY 1989	
4-NORTHAMPTON TOWN		
10-Tranmere Rovers		
23-Harlepool		
31-Chesterfield	FEBRUARY	
8-WALSALL	MARCH	
15-Wrexham		
24-Chester City		
7-Scarborough	APRIL	
14-Peterborough		
21-Halifax Town		
29-LINCOLN CITY		
12-TRANMERE ROVERS		
19-WOLVES		

## PURITY YOUTH LEAGUE

27-Notts County	AUGUST 1988	0-6
3-NOTTS FOREST	SEPTEMBER	0-8
10-Peterborough United		2-2 Griffiths 2
17-PORT VALE		4-3 Thomas; Roberts; Copson; O.G.
1-STOKE CITY	OCTOBER	0-2
15-W.B.A.		2-4 Thomson, Evans.
22-WOLVES		0-4
28-Aston Villa		1-9 Evans
5-COVENTRY CITY L.C. Rd. 1	NOVEMBER	0-4
12-Birmingham City		1-0
19-Coventry City		1-2
26-DERBY COUNTY	DECEMBER	
3-Leicester City	JANUARY 1989	
10-W.B.A.		
17-MANSFIELD TOWN		
7-Notts Forest	FEBRUARY	
21-BIRMINGHAM CITY		
28-Port Vale		
4-Mansfield Town	MARCH	
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DOUG ROUVIE	3	PHIL KING
PHIL PRIEST	4	TOMMY JONES
DAVID MOYES	5	TIM PARKIN
ALAN FINLEY	6	COLIN CALDERWOOD
TIM STEELE	7	STEVE FOLEY
DOUGIE BELL	8	STEVE WHITE
VICTOR KASULE	9	CHARLIE HENRY
ALAN IRVINE	10	ROSS MACLAREN
MICKY THOMAS	11	DAVID GEDDIS
	12	
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**REFEREE: P. DON**

Philip Don a schoolmaster from Hanworth, Middlesex, who is married with two sons, commenced refereeing in 1970 and progressed via the Southern League to the Football League linesman's list in 1981 and then to the referee's list in 1986. In 1985 he refereed the England v West Germany under-15 at Wembley and has acted as linesmen in a number of game abroad as well as the FA Cup semi-final in 1987 and the FA Vase Final in 1976. A referee's coach he enjoys cooking, gardening and most sports. We hope that he has an enjoyable afternoon today at Gay Meadow.

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