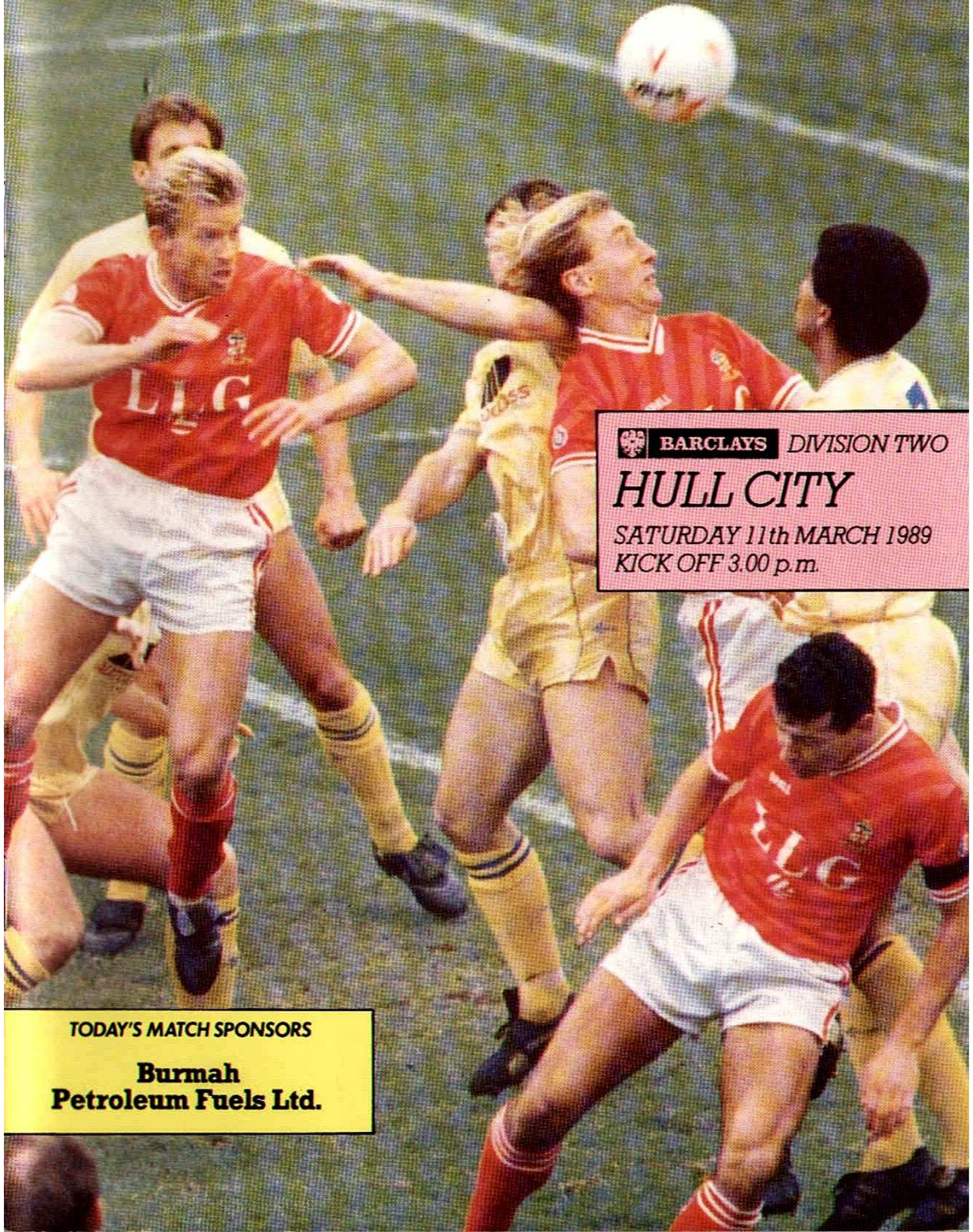


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**GOOD ENOUGH FOR 'ROBBO'
ALSO GOOD ENOUGH FOR JOHN**

What's good enough for Bryan Robson of Manchester United and England is good enough for John Cornwell of Swindon Town. At least that is the message we received from the Football Association last week.

John had accumulated 23 points on his disciplinary record this season. Actually fifteen of them had been collected when he was at Newcastle United. When the Football Association and the Football League met to discuss Bryan Robson's booking in a Mercantile Credit Centenary Trophy fixture, they decided to discount this booking and allow him to be available for the F.A. Cup quarter-final tie against Nottingham Forest next Saturday.

It would have been totally unfair if the same principle did not then apply to the other nine players who received bookings in the Mercantile Trophy competition. Justice was seen to be done. John, one of the nine, had that earlier booking erased and automatically reverted to nineteen points.

A STORY BEHIND THAT PENALTY!

We received a fright in our last home match against Leicester City when Mike Newell put the visitors into a first half lead. We were not to be deterred and goals from Duncan Shearer and the penalty by Tommy Jones saw us collect three points.

Quite a story behind Tommy Jones' penalty. When Ross Maclaren was unable to reappear for the second half due to the injury he had sustained, nobody had thought about a second half penalty taker! When we were awarded the penalty Tommy immediately grabbed the ball and duly slotted the ball home. On the bench I must admit there was a lot of consternation, for both 'Chic' and I would have preferred Paul Bodin to have taken the penalty. As a result we may have

**THE
MANAGER'S
VIEW**

BY

Lou Macari

discovered another penalty taker. In a conversation with the Club Secretary, Dave King, the following day, Tommy revealed that he had never missed from the spot in over thirty attempts.

A LONG WAY TO GO

Following our excellent 2-1 win at Ipswich last week the Sunday morning newspapers showed that we were lying in eighth position in the Second Division League table.

I have heard several comments that we could be heading for promotion by means of the play-offs at the end of the season. A word of warning, we still have a third of the League campaign to play. In fact counting today's match it is fifteen. At stake are 45 points. An awful long way to go. A lot of football to be played. So can we all adopt the attitude that it's pleasant to be picking up points and realistically look at the play-off position when there is perhaps a maximum of twelve points left to play for? We will know whether we have a chance or not then. We do not want unnecessary pressure let's just enjoy proving we can become an established Second Division Club. Leave the dreaming until late spring.

A VITAL MATCH

I hope as many of you as possible will travel to Bournemouth next Saturday as it will be an important and difficult match for us. Both teams are vying for the play-offs.

Harry Redknapp has built a fine team at Dean Court and they recently gave my former Club, Manchester United, two difficult games in the F.A. Cup. We have not fared well in recent visits to Bournemouth and a win is overdue. Those records have to go eventually and perhaps as a Manager I can record my first win at Dean Court at a vital time.

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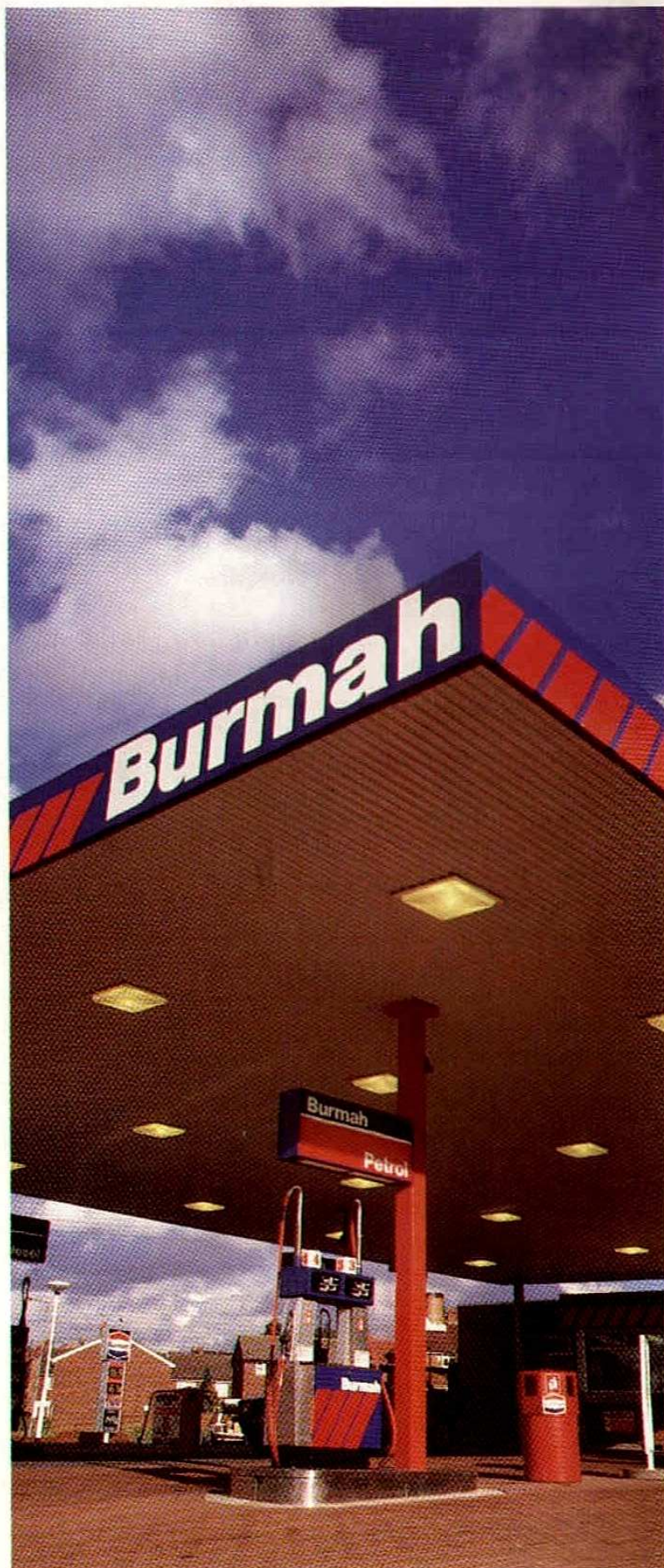
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THE HARDCORE

Those who thought, after victory at Ipswich, that Swindon Town were on course for the play-offs weren't at Charlie Henry's testimonial to see what may await us in the First Division.

Southampton's cruising work-out in the eight goal thriller was not really the issue though, as Charlie Henry had a night that was all his own.

It was interesting to note on Monday night, that 'Town' fans have diminished to a Fourth Division type hardcore as probably a quarter of today's attendance turned up.

A fair crowd for a testimonial on a wet night, maybe, but meagre support for such a loyal Club servant. As I said in Monday's programme, Charlie's loyalty has outshone many on the terraces, Charlie's goal was just reward for his fantastic service.

IT APPEARS TO BE ENCOURAGING

Despite Glen Cockerill marauding his way through the 'Town' side in Charlie's testimonial, the general indicators at this stage of the season look very encouraging.

Steve White's two poached goals at Portman Road have stimulated new interest in the 'Town's' season, although Division One still looks like an unconvincing proposition.

'Dopey' Moynihan, everone's least favourite dwarf, has poured cold water on English Clubs chances of returning to European action, in spite of the European's seeming keener on our return than our farming produce. Although the return to Europe is not the be all and end all to English football, a favourable event for the game would not go amiss.

SCOTT FREE



by Michael Scott

ENGLAND'S SHOCK WIN

England's shock win in Albania has proved something of a morale booster though, scoring twice against such quality opposition has surely enhanced our chances of qualification for the finals. England can never have played in such bizarre circumstances before and can be delighted that King Zog's men weren't able to hold them.

The Albanian's hopefully won't react in the same way to such a culture shock when they visit Wembley in April. Seeing cars on the streets and having a hot shower after the game will hopefully rattle the Albanian's and help us through to Italy next year.

SORDID

TV's recent sordid dramatisation of hooliganism seemed an accur-

ate portrayal of the infantile social troublemakers which ruin society for the rest of us. It is very hard to put into words quite what contempt to hold these well fed, well off, ill tempered idiots in, but perhaps on reflection the Albanian system of equality has got it right after all. It is no good to give individuals everything they want and then complain when they turn to violence for kicks. This country seems to be breeding an attitude of competitive hate which goes beyond sport and into the very fabric of society. Something must be done to rid all areas of this pathetic disease, but the governments buck passing schemes seem to be at the expense of law and order generally.

ANOTHER VITAL MATCH

Our current seam of form makes this afternoon's game a vital one, with a win today likely to lift us still further up the table.

On Tuesday we have an equally vital fixture on the icy, eerie slopes of St. Andrews. Birmingham City provide us with Third Division elect opposition in a game which we must win in order to continue our endeavour towards the play-offs.

Next Saturday's game is even more crucial as we face fellow play-off contenders Bournemouth at Dean Court. Any game at that venue provokes many unhappy memories, hopefully we will be able to lay the bogey and move on up.

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BRIAN HILLIER



WELCOME BACK MARK
I would like to begin my column this week with a tribute to the courage and determination of Mark Jones. The midfield player made his comeback in our Reserve team match at Reading last month. Mark had been out of action for eighteen months.

A great many players would have given up the fight to play again. The sheer grit and determination he has displayed has made Mark a beacon for anyone with a similar injury. Mark knows that he still has a long way to go to full recovery. Nevertheless he has taken the first step.

... AND YOU TOO NICKY

It was also pleasant to see Nicky Hammond back at the County Ground again. Nicky is recovering from a broken leg he suffered in a training collision.

After weeks of partial inactivity the young goalkeeper is back taking the first steps towards fitness and a full recovery. Both Mark and Nicky are two current examples of how frustrating life can be for a sportsman. It is not always a glamorous existence.

WELCOME TIGERS

I would like to welcome Hull City to the County Ground this afternoon. We have a score to

settle with the Humberide Club. Earlier this season we were defeated by the only goal of the game at Boothferry Park. We missed so many chances that day that we could have won by a hatful.

A warm welcome to the Directors, Officials and players of Hull City. A long way to travel for their supporters so we hope you had a good journey South and we wish you a safe return.

Former England and Liverpool defender Emlyn Hughes has joined the Board of Directors of Hull City this season.

A CUP TIE

On Monday March 20th we entertain Leicester City in a Midland Youth Cup match at the County Ground with a 7 p.m. kick-off for this Second leg match of this Semi-final tie.

I hope as many of you as possible will come along and support our Youth team. They are enjoying a fine season under the guidance of John Trollope. Those of you who can come along to the County Ground that evening will not be disappointed. Our Youth team took a 3-1 lead from their First leg match at Filbert Street last month. Paul Hunt scoring all three goals.

FACING THE LEADERS

Next Wednesday our Reserve

team face Tottenham Hotspur in a Football Combination fixture. The White Hart Lane Club are the present leaders in the Combination. Our improved results of recent should ensure that a fine match could be the fayre.

While we all accept that first team football is the prime object of any Club we must neither forget or neglect the other teams within the Club. So if you have an afternoon to spare why not come along to the County Ground. The Reserve team matches kick-off at 2 p.m.

STILL NEGOTIATING

After the successful negotiations which have been concluded with Phil King, Steve Foley and Colin Calderwood we have made offers to Jon Gittens and Fraser Digby.

Of course Fraser still has a further year of his current contract to fulfil but we feel that it is only in the interests of Swindon Town to try and secure his future to this Club for a further period of time.

Negotiations with Jon Gittens have been in progress for a few weeks. Jon, who still lives in the Southampton area, is still contemplating the offer we have made to him. We consider that it is important to conclude our negotiations with Jon as soon as possible. We hope Jon will wish to remain at the County Ground.

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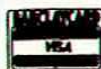


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A SECOND LOOK

A LOOK AT THE SECOND DIVISION SCENE

MY ERROR

Former Luton Town goalkeeper **Andy Dibble** accepted the blame for a defeat which blew **Manchester City's** chance of regaining the Second Division leadership from Chelsea.

The 'Hatters' Littlewoods Cup final hero of last season who moved to Maine Road for **£240,000** in the summer made his fatal mistake in the first half coming too far off his line and enabling **Iwan Roberts** to secure three vital points for fellow contenders **Watford**. It brought to an end City's unbeatable run of nine games.

UNIMPORTANT

Portsmouth Manager **John Gregory** dismissed his side's 1-0 win at **Plymouth** as unimportant unless they can build on it. **Mick Quinn's** 81st minute goal arrested 'Pompey's' slump and piled on the misery for Plymouth. The Home Park Club's trouble deepened as bookings for **Kenny Brown** and **Sean McCarthy** left both facing suspension.

BAD LUCK GARRY!

Former Swindon Town player **Garry Nelson** is still awaiting that elusive League hat-trick! Garry hit seven doubles last season in a 32 goal tally for Brighton and six at his previous Club Plymouth Argyle. Garry was unlucky not to break his jinx against Blackburn Rovers last week. "It was so disappointing but it wasn't to be" he said. "One day there will be a nice match ball in my cabinet."

Barry Lloyd the Brighton Manager had this to say about Garry. "Overall he has developed as a player, his movement, first touch and awareness of players around him has improved," he said. "But now he is back into his own as a goal scorer as well".

THE REVIVALIST SHOW CONTINUES

The **Harry Redknapp** revivalist show continues and shows that **AFC Bournemouth** are now a genuine promotion force. Their 3-2 success at **Crystal Palace** had Harry saying, "We've got born-again players. All my lads were discarded by other people. I either

got them on the cheap or for nothing."

AFC Bournemouth deserved victory at Selhurst Park and went 3-0 up through goals from **John Williams**, **Mark O'Connor** and **Richard Cooke** before a lethargic **Palace** staged a late fight-back with goals from **John Pemberton** and **Ian Wright** who did little to impress watching Glasgow Rangers' **Graeme Souness** or Luton Town's **Ray Harford**.

FRUSTRATED GARY

Frustrated midfielder **Gary McAlister** is ready to make the move to Nottingham Forest - if **Leicester City** Manager David Pleat will let him go.

Gary who has aroused the interest of Forest boss **Brian Clough**, helped Leicester City to their first win in seven League matches by defeating **Walsall**, 1-0 last week. Afterwards he admitted, "Staying in the Second Division is doing me no good." The **£750,000** - rated Scot added: "I'd love to go to Forest and play for **Brian Clough**. He keeps things simple and they are going to be at the top for years to

it's all down to the Manager here. I've got a year of my contract to go and Mr Pleat is entitled to keep me if he wants to."

PUTTING DOWN HIS HOME TOWN CLUB

Two goals from leading goalscorer **Don Goodman** steered **West Bromwich Albion's** promotion challenge back on course last Sunday. The Leeds born striker's 15th and 16th goals of the season lifted them back into fifth place following their 2-1 win against Leeds United.

Before this match Leeds United had lost just two out of 20 matches under Howard Wilkinson's Managership.

TOWN MAKE IT A HARD TASK FOR JOHN

Our 2-1 win at **Ipswich** left the Portman Road Club Manager **John Duncan** with the task of raising his teams confidence. "There is still some way to go in the season but it will be very hard to keep the players heads up."

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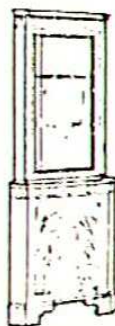
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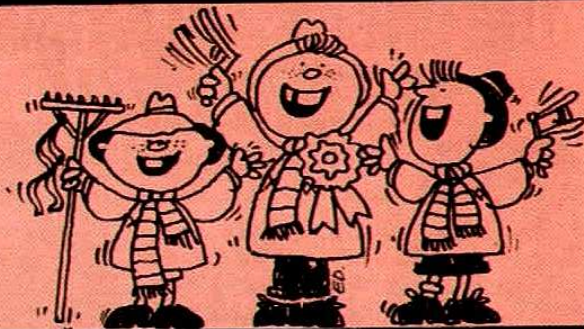
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OUR NEXT OPPONENTS

The surprise packet of this seasons **Second Division** have undoubtedly been **A.F.C. Bournemouth**. The mid-season signing of **Luther Blissett** from Watford for a fee of **£60,000** was a master stroke by the **Dean Court** Manager **Harry Redknapp**. The sale of **Carl Richards** to **Birmingham City** for a fee of **£70,000** paved the way for the acquisition of the prolific goalscoring former **AC Milan** player.

Shrewd signings of players of the calibre of **Kevin Bond** from **Southampton** and the rapidly improving **Ian Bishop** from **Carlisle United** last summer were other instances of the shrewdness of Harry Redknapp in the transfer market. **Ian Bishop**, originally rejected by Merseyside giants **Everton**, is now regarded to be valued in the **£500,000** bracket. The combined fees of both players

was less than **£100,000**.

A.F.C. Bournemouth still retain the nucleus of the team that won the **Third Division** championship in the **1986-87** season. **Gerry Peyton, Mark Newson, John Williams, Paul Morrell, Trevor Aylott** and **Richard Cooke** are still vital members of the South Coast Club's line-up.

Their recent F.A. Cup exploits against **Manchester United** have brought them to the fore but their League form is more meritable and an achievement gained throughout the season to date. Quite a match in prospect at **Dean Court** next Tuesday.

On Tuesday next we visit **Birmingham City** who are currently struggling at the foot of the Second Division. This would appear to be a match where the Town should take their share of the points. The recent sale of the **St. Andrews** Club leading goalscorer **Steve Whitton** to **Sheffield Wednesday** will not have enhanced the chances of the **St. Andrews** Club avoiding the drop into the

Third Division.

We have an attractive fixture in prospect over the **Easter** holiday period when we entertain **West Bromwich Albion** at the **County Ground** on **Saturday, March 25th**.

The **Hawthorn's** Club now under the guidance of **Brian Talbot** have recently added a new striking force to their payroll. The former **Watford** and **Glasgow Rangers** striker **Colin West** was recently signed from **Sheffield Wednesday** in a **cash plus player exchange** deal involving midfielder player **Carlton Palmer**. The previous week the West Midland Club had signed **Kevin Bartlett** from Third Division **Cardiff City** for **£100,000**. A fair profit for the **Ninian Park** Club who had signed the player for a nominal fee from **Fareham Town**.

West Bromwich Albion's promotion challenge has faltered in recent weeks and obviously **Bryan Talbot** will be hoping that his recent signings will add a new dimension to the vital last third of the season.

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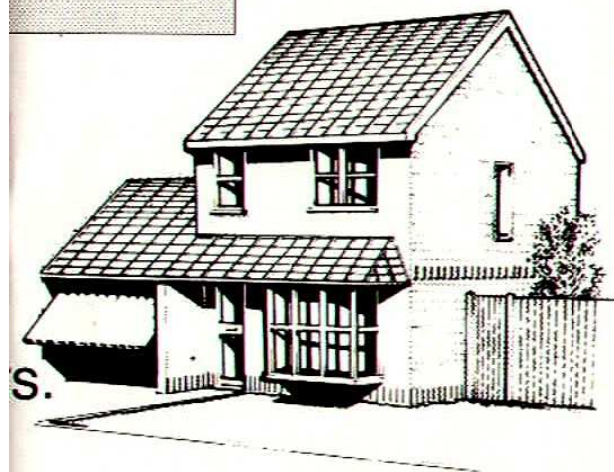
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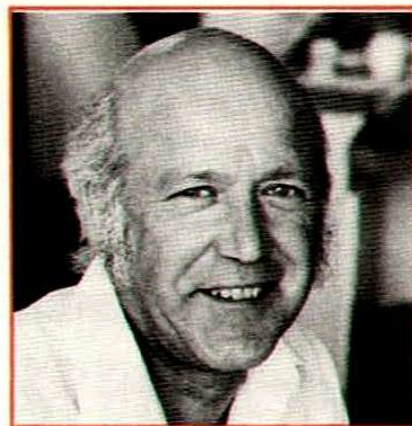


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TAKING THE Opposite VIEW

HULL CITY



by Dave Eaton



Back Row, Left to Right: Ken Demange, Les Thompson, Wayne Jacobs, Garreth Roberts, Billy Askew, Tim Hotte, Andy Payton, Ray Daniel.

Middle Row, Left to Right: Tom Wilson (Reserve Team Coach), Steve Terry, Nicky Brown, Andy Saville, Tony Norman (Goalkeeper), Gavin Kelly (Reserve Goalkeeper), Leigh Jenkinson, John Moore, Richard Jobson, Don Robinson (Chairman), Jeff Radcliffe (Physiotherapist).

Front Row, Left to Right: Neil Buckley, Charlie Palmer, Dennis Booth (Assistant Manager), Pete Skipper, Eddie Gray M.B.E. (Manager), Alex Dyer, Keith Edwards.

It was only a short two year stay though, finishing as runners-up in the 82/83 season to Wimbledon.

Brian Horton was appointed Manager in June 1984 and in his first season led the Tigers from the Third back to the Second.

Hull finished a very creditable sixth in their first season back the Second. However, the last two seasons have proved to be a disappointment for all connected with Hull. A final position of 14th was achieved in 86/87, but only after a late burst of points hauled them away from the relegation zone. Last season proved to be one of two completely different halves. The Tigers featured in the top four in the League table for several months. They only lost one game in the first 15 and at the end of 1987 were handily placed, having lost only four out of 25. The New Year turned into a nightmare, only two more wins in the remaining 19 games.

It signalled the end for Horton and the arrival of Eddie Gray.

MEET THE MANAGER AND PLAYERS

Eddie Gray (Manager). Appointed Manager of Hull in succession to Brian Horton in June of last year. Had previously spent one and a half seasons as Boss at Rochdale and, prior to that, three years in charge at Leeds. It was at Leeds, as a player, that Eddie Gray made his mark and was honoured with the M.B.E for his services to the Club and football. Capped 12 times by Scotland, the left winger made over 500 appearances for Leeds and won practically every type of winners medal possible, being a member of Don Revie's brilliant side of the early 70's.

Hull City were formed in 1904 and elected to Division 2 the following year.

To coincide with their elevation to the League they switched grounds from the Boulevard Ground (Hull R.F.C.) to Anlaby Road (Hull C.C.) - their home until switching back to the Boulevard in 1944/5.

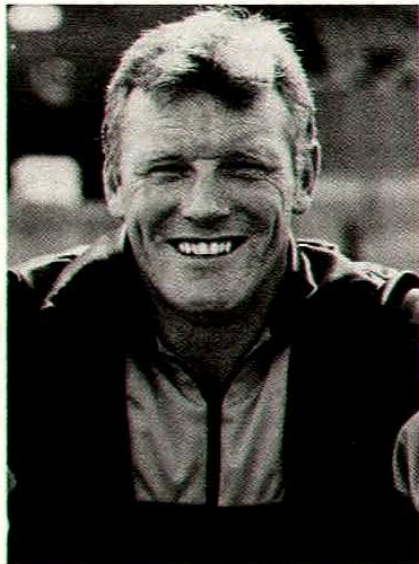
The following year City moved to their present home - Boothferry Park.

After being elected to the League the Tigers spent 31 years in the Second Division apart from a three year spell in Division 3 (N) between 1930 and 1933. And in the season

1932/33 they claimed their first League Championship. Relegated from the Second Division in 1936, City spent another thirteen years in the Third North before finally regaining a place back in Division 2 as champions of the Third North. Seven years later the Tigers tasted relegation once again.

And then, for the next 22 years, they fluctuated between the Second and Third Divisions at regular intervals. The drop back to the Third came again in 1978 and three years later in 1981, for the only time in their history, they made the plunge into the Fourth.

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● Eddie Gray

Billy Askew (Midfield). Born in Lumley, the 29 year old initially joined Middlesbrough in 1977, but failed to win a regular place in the side. Went on loan to Blackburn in February 1982 before joining Northern Premier League Gateshead in the summer of 1982. Was offered a trial at Boothferry Park that August, and has since gone from strength to strength, until troubled by injury in the latter part of last season.

Nicky Brown (Defender). Locally born, the 22 year old joined the Tigers from school in 1983. At one stage he appeared to have made a successful transition to striker, scoring 50 goals in one season for the Juniors. Has since reverted to defence, where he can play either at full-back or in a central role.

Neil Buckley (Defender). Another local lad pushing for a regular first team place. He has progressed through the junior sides, and made his League debut at Plymouth in January 1987.

Ray Daniel (Midfield). Born in Luton, the 25 year old was signed from Luton in the summer of 1986. He has proved his versatility by playing in both attacking and defensive roles. Became a professional at Luton in September 1982 on completion of his apprenticeship, and also had a loan spell at Gillingham in 1983.

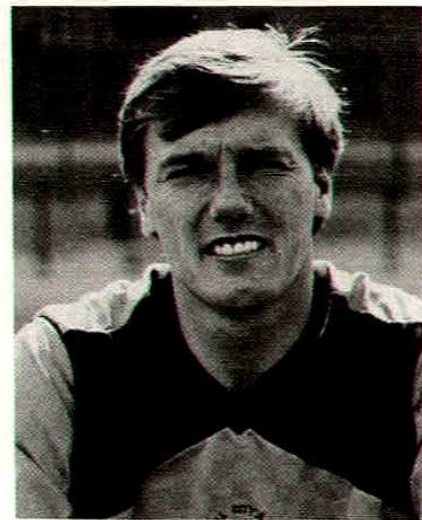
Ken De Mange (Midfield). Born in Dublin, the 24 year old Irishman was signed from Leeds in March 1988 for £85,000. He started his career with Home Farm before joining Liverpool, and is an Eire International. Also had a loan spell at Scunthorpe during 1986-87.

Keith Edwards (Forward). The 31 year old Stockton born prolific goalscorer began his second spell at Boothferry Park towards the end of last season after a £60,000 transfer from Aberdeen. Keith's Scottish venture followed a brief stay at Leeds. Prior to that his first spell with the

Tigers, August 1978 to September 1981, has sandwiched between two terms at Sheffield United. His impressive striking rate at Boothferry Park is 60 goals in 139 League outings to the start of this season. The Second Division leading scorer this year.

Wayne Jacobs (Defender). Born in Sheffield in he was a £30,000 purchase from Sheffield Wednesday in March 1988. Began his career as an apprentice at Hillsborough. Has been used at left-back since his arrival at Boothferry Park. Recently celebrated his 20th birthday.

Richard Jobson (Defender). Although a native of Hull, the 25 year old moved south at an early age and began his career with Burton Albion, before joining Watford in 1982. Cost City £40,000 in February 1985, and has proved an invaluable member of the side wherever he plays. Has been the subject of large transfer fee speculation by several First Division Clubs this season.



● Keith Edwards

Andy Saville (Forward). Another locally born member of the staff. The 24 year old was top scorer during 1986-87, but failed to win a regular place last season. Was the subject of a £100,000 bid from Port Vale during the summer. He joined the Club as a non-contract player in 1981, finally turning pro in 1985.

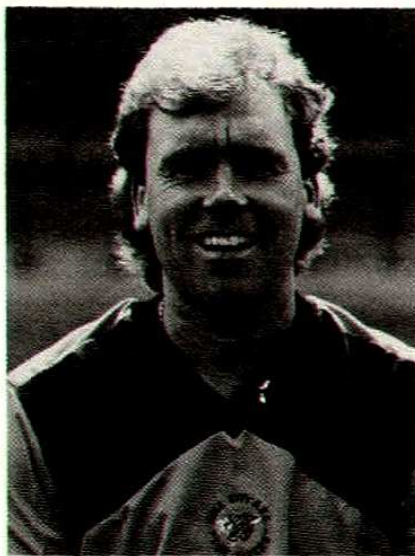
Mike Smith (Forward). Another young local product, he was the Northern Intermediate League's top scorer last season with 32 goals.

Steve Terry (Defender). Joined the Club during the summer from Watford for £100,000. Was an apprentice with the Hornets, signing pro in January 1980. Made over 150 League appearances whilst at Vicarage Road.

Lee Warren (Midfield). Born in Manchester he was an early season signing from Rochdale. Began his career at Leeds United, before moving on to Rochdale for whom he played well over 30 games during the 1987/88 season. He was Eddie Gray's second signing for the Club at a cost of £40,000.

Iaian Hesford (Goalkeeper). The 29 year old former England Under-21 International recently joined Jull from Sunderland together with Billy Whitehurst, plus a cash adjustment, with the experienced Tony Norman moving the other way. Born in Zambia, he began as an apprentice at Blackpool and went on to make 202 League appearances for them. Subsequent Clubs include Sheffield Wednesday, Fulham (loan), Notts. County and Sunderland.

Billy Whitehurst (Forward). Rejoined Hull recently from Sunderland. The 29 year old originally signed for the Tigers from Mexborough and made his debut on October 25 1980 at Gillingham. Made 193 appearances, scoring 27 goals in five and a half seasons at Hull before departing on his travels during the 1985/86 season. Those travels took him to Newcastle, Oxford, Reading and Sunderland.



● Billy Askew

John Moore (Forward). Eddie Gray's first signing for the Club, moving from Sunderland for a £25,000 fee. Began as an apprentice at Roker, making his League debut during 1984-85. Could not gain a regular place at Sunderland and had loan spells at St. Patrick's Ath, Newport, Darlington, Mansfield and Rochdale.

Andy Payton (Midfield). Began his career with Burnley but had not made the senior side before joining the Tigers in July 1985. Was pushed forward into a striking role last season, and scored after just two minutes of his first full League outing against Leeds.

Garreth Roberts (Midfield). The longest serving member of the squad, he joined the local Club as an apprentice in 1977. Has been awarded a testimonial this season. He has clocked up 400 first team appearances and at the start of the season needed only six goals for a half century in the League.

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TUNE IN WITH GWR'S VIC MORGAN



WELCOME 'TIGERS'

Good afternoon and welcome to the County Ground, especially those of you from the East Coast. I bet it's colder on Humberside, nice to be able to wear your T-shirts isn't it?

This, of course, is the second meeting between the Clubs this season, the first was that astonishing 1-0 victory for Hull at Boothferry Park. I just wonder if the boards erected around the city goal that day have been removed, they were pretty solid as I remember. Another memory of that trip the wonderful image of the Humber bridge in the bleak winter evening sky. A real sight for weary travellers eyes. Still, I'd have preferred the three points.

WELCOME POINTS AGAINST LEEDS AND IPSWICH?

However three points were gained seven days ago in East Anglia with a fine performance by Swindon at Ipswich. It was a win fully deserved against one of the top Second Division sides, even old Sergei Beltacha couldn't prevent the Wiltshire team 'Russian' to success. Yes, it was a pleasant experience at Portman Road and allied to the excellent point at Leeds the previous week it made for a warm feeling for all Swindon fans. By the way, wasn't it interesting to hear the Leeds fans booing Swindon's back passes? Thought they'd have been used to that.

Seriously though when the Town achieve results like those it really makes for a pleasant weekend, remember Leeds and Ipswich were competing in Europe not so long ago.

THE REVEREND BARRY CREWE AND THANKS ANNE

It's also pleasing to report a member of the Swindon Town Travel Club enjoying an enlightening experience.

It wasn't a case of on the road to Damascus for Barry Crewe of the Club's Youth Hostel but seeing the light in Portman Road. I understand he asked for divine intervention and it appears his pleas were answered. 'Reverend' Crewe led evensong on the way home. That return journey also saw the feeding of the fifty three, as Travel Club Secretary Anne Alden shared her special birthday cake around. Thanks Anne and for all the work you and your excellent committee put in throughout the year.

LORD TED

In the world of International Cricket, Ted Dexter has been appointed new supremo of the England test team. Perhaps this will signal a change in fortunes for the side that has struggled in recent times, perhaps too, 'Lord' Ted will bring about a change in attitude among those in the international squad. The forthcoming series against Australia is bound to be a close affair and as always well fought, a fine chance for the new man to work his influence.

WELL DONE HUNGERFORD TOWN

In the world of non-League football, Hungerford Town from just up the road have got within sight of Wembley's twin towers and now meet Sudbury Town in the F.A. Vase Semi-final's. Hungerford have been to this particular stage of the Competition twice before only to be denied at the last hurdle on both occasions. Let's wish them well this time round, it would be a terrific and deserved achievement should they make the final.

GOODBYE TO GWR AND THANKS A LOT!

And so to the new radio station open-

ing up in Swindon on April 4th. It's called BBC Wiltshire Sound and for those of you who have asked me, yes I am going to be their Swindon Town correspondent. This is the last time this programme article will appear under this banner and this is the last home game I shall cover for GWR.

I have covered Swindon for GWR and before that Wiltshire Radio for five years and in that time the Club has risen from the depths of Division Four to the Second Division respectability it enjoys and deserves now. So its a new start and a new challenge while basically doing the same thing. Thanks a lot GWR and hello BBC. Question of Sport one day? Quite remarkable.

CONTINUING AS PLAYER-MANAGER

I shall however continue in my current role as GWRFC player-Manager which brings me to the recent tale of the laudible outfit. The recent weather put paid to two weeks of matches and it meant enforced Sunday morning rests which the day after the Bruno-Tyson fight was most welcome. However on our return to action we suffered defeat by the same scoreline that Swindon did in Charlie Henry's testimonial match with Southampton. I dare say you'll find the answer to that riddle somewhere in the programme. Suffice to say out of a combined total of eight we didn't get many.

Still with just two games left in the League season we've had a good year and enjoyed it tremendously - watch out the footballing Sunday sides of Swindon next season.

Now back to the matter in hand, let's settle back and enjoy a good peaceful game of football.

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FOOTBALL COMBINATION & YOUTH TEAM NEWS

PAUL HUNT HAT-TRICK GIVES TOWN THE LEAD

A magnificent performance by our Youth team saw them take a 3-1 lead in their Midland Youth Cup Semi-Final against Leicester City. The tie played over two legs will see the Second Leg played at the County Ground on Monday, March 20th.

The Filbert Street tie was described by Youth Team Manager **John Trollope** "As a game which turned out to be a contest between two different styles of play. Leicester City played a short passing game, while we adopted a hard working and penetrating game. Although Leicester City had plenty of possession they were limited to only a handful of chances. That was due to our good shape and the application of the players. We played early forward balls either to feet or space behind the Leicester City defence which proved more effective."

John added, "We took the lead when **Paul Hunt** flicked on a free kick into the corner of the net. **Richard Smith** equalised from a corner for the Filbert Street Club which we failed to clear. However, we regained the lead soon after when **Paul Hunt** went through the Leicester defence to beat the advancing keeper. The interval score remained at 2-1. Midway through the second half another through ball saw **Paul Hunt** complete his hat-trick and put the Town into a 3-1 lead which they held until the final whistle."

John summed up the performance, "A good team performance with everyone playing his part. Although it was a good result, we still have a lot of work to do, as Leicester are capable of pulling the game back in their favour if we become complacent."

Team: Thompson, Lea, Graham, Quinn, Sandrey, Murray, Hammersley, Trollope, Summerbee, Hunt, R. Morgan.

Substitutes: Dixon and Walker.



● **Paul Hunt** - was the hat-trick hero in our fine 3-1 win at Filbert Street against Leicester City in the First Leg of The Midland Youth Cup Semi-Final tie.

NICK MAKES HIS MARK,

WHILE MARK MAKES A WELCOME RETURN

Our Reserve team gained their third successive win and therefore completed the 'double' against Reading in the 'Ovenden Papers' Football Combination fixture at Elm Park on Saturday, February 25th.

The game began with an early shock for the Town. Reading's **David Shaw** took advantage of a mix up between Leigh Barnard and Andrew Petterson in the **Eighth Minute** which allowed the home team to take the lead.

The young Reading team put Swindon under pressure in the game's early stages. Eventually the Town were on level terms when a deflected shot from a John Cornwell shot deceived 'keeper Lahiff for an own goal.

The Town came more into the game and Peter Coyne had a good shot parried by Lahiff and the rebound was cleared. **Paul Hunt** hit a promising ball across the Reading goal without Gareth Morgan being able to connect with the ball.

The second half saw the Town take command with substitute **Nicky Summerbee** replacing the injured Morgan. The Youth team's leading goalscorer soon made his presence felt. It came as no surprise when the irrepressible **Nicky Summerbee** put the Town into a winning lead in the 53rd minute with a splendid shot on the turn. The Town should have added more goals with Adrian Viveash hitting an upright and then Neil Tomlinson the crossbar.

It was pleasing to see **Mark Jones** back in competitive action when he came on as a second half substitute with no obvious ill effects from his serious injury. This was Mark's first game for eighteen months after his pre-season injury sustained at Gloucester City pre-season in August 1987.

Team: Petterson, Barnard, Cornwell, Sandrey, Marshall, Tomlinson, Coyne, Viveash, Barnes, G. Morgan, Hunt.

Substitutes: Summerbee (for Morgan in 45th min.) **Mark Jones** (for Hunt in 70th min.)

A SET BACK

Any lingering hopes that our South East Counties team had of vying for the Second Division championship disappeared with the 6-0 defeat against Luton Town at Kenilworth Road last Saturday. In fact their prospects of finishing as Runners-up took a severe blow when they conceded the points to one of their fellow contenders for honours.

Town Youth Team Manager **John Trollope** had this to say about the performance. "This was our heaviest defeat of the season and more disappointingly also our poorest performance. At no stage of the match did we look like matching Luton Town in any department whether we were in possession of the ball or not. This was our first experience of the artificial surface and we never adapted to a method of play where a short passing game was required too many of our lads showed little appetite or commitment to the task. Although Luton Town were more accustomed to these conditions they were also more enthusiastic and willing to make things happen.

We know that a slightly different type of game would be needed but we must show that we want to



● **Nicky Summerbee** - the Youth team's leading goalscorer scored his first Football Combination goal in our Reserve team's 2-1 win at Elm Park against Reading.

play whatever the game or conditions and adjust accordingly.

The Luton Town goalscorers were **Gary Crawshaw** (3), **Kirt Nogan** (2), **Mick O'Brien** (1).

Team: Thompson, Lea, Graham, Quinn, Sandrey, Murray, Hammersley, Trollope, Summerbee, Hunt, R. Morgan.

Substitutes: Dixon (for Quinn in 79th min.) **Walker** (for Hammersley in 79th min.)

HONOURS

Three of our trainees were included in an F.A. Youth squad that met South West Counties Youth on Wednesday March 1st at Gloucester City's Meadow Park.

Town Youth Team Manager **John Trollope** watched the match which ended in a 6-1 win for the F.A. Youth team. **John** in his report of the match said, "Paul Hunt, Nicky Summerbee and Gavin Sandrey were included in the F.A. side. This fixture at under 18 age level, consists of trainees from the areas League Clubs for the F.A. team and players from the regions County sides, who make up the South West Counties side.

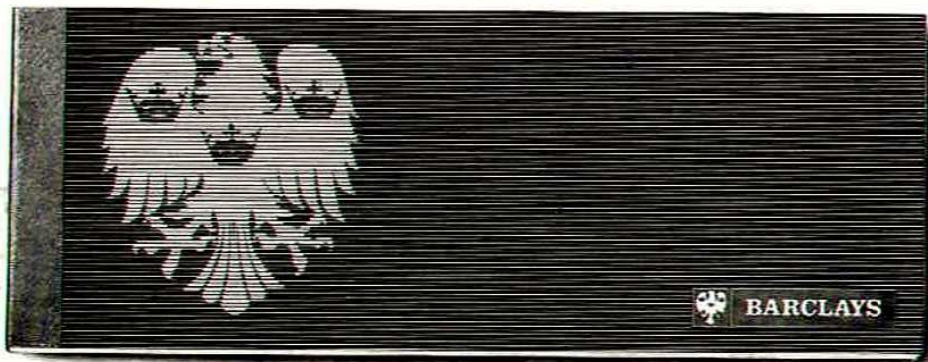
Both **Paul Hunt** and **Nicky Summerbee** played the full game, in wide position rather than their normal strikers role. **Nicky** saw very little of the ball but still managed to get a few useful crosses in, one resulting in a goal. **Paul** was one of the few players to impress making good runs down the left, scoring one goal and setting up three others.

Gavin came on for the second half and gave a steady reliable performance in the centre of defence.

A good experience for all three and an honour for them and the Club and all gave a good account of themselves."

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THE NUMBER COULD BE REDUCED NEXT SEASON!

If current League form is any guideline we could be meeting both **West Ham United** and **Wolverhampton Wanderers** in League fixtures next season. That would leave just **Arsenal, Everton, Liverpool, Manchester United, Tottenham Hotspur** and **Scarborough** of the 92 League Clubs for Swindon Town to meet. **Chelsea**, were newcomers to our fixture list this season.

CLEARING UP A MYSTERY

There was a certain amount of confusion as to who scored our second goal in our 3-2 defeat at **Stamford Bridge** against **Chelsea** on **Saturday, February 11th**. Most of the national newspapers credited it as an own goal to Chelsea defender Joe McLaughlin but **Steve Foley** swore that the Chelsea defender was not the last to touch the ball. **Steve** claimed that the ball went into the net off his chest. Camera proof by way of their Club video really failed to prove the point one way or the other. However, it was difficult to refute Steve's claim and the goal is now officially credited to him by the Club. In our records it will show that the Swindon Town goalscorers for this match were **Paul Bodin** and **Steve Foley**.

NEWS OF OLD BOYS

Former Town full back **Gary Williams** who rejoined his former Club **Tranmere Rovers** when he left the County Ground in **February, 1983**, has joined GM Vauxhall Conference Club **Northwich Victoria** on loan from the Fourth Division Club.

Another former Town full back **Ray Bavenstock** had mixed fortunes in **Cheltenham Town's 1-1** draw with **Yeovil Town** recently. When the GM Vauxhall Conference Club were awarded a penalty, his first kick was saved by Yeovil's Mel Gwinnett but the full

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back made no mistake when the referee ordered the penalty to be retaken. Ray then got his marching orders four minutes from the end of the match for his second cautionable offence.

MAGNIFICENT SERVICE

John Trollope celebrates 30 years service with the Club next year. During that time the Town's longest serving employee has seen service as an apprentice, full time professional, Youth Team Manager, Assistant Manager and Team Manager.

AN EARLY GOOD FRIDAY MORNING KICK-OFF

For those of you who are interested in the various Kick-off times that occur at holiday periods the following may be of interest.

The Third Division fixture between **Brentford** and **Fulham** has an 11.30 a.m. kick-off. That is one of only four League fixtures scheduled for good Friday.

HIGHEST ATTENDANCE COMING UP

The visit of **Tottenham Hotspur** to the **County Ground** next **Wednesday afternoon** gives us every hope that we should record our highest attendance of the season for Reserve team matches.

Our **'Ovenden Papers'** Football Combination attendances to date have been:

| | | |
|--------------------------|---|-----|
| West Ham United | - | 54 |
| Arsenal | - | 57 |
| Reading | - | 114 |
| Southampton | - | 124 |
| Watford | - | 95 |
| Brighton and Hove Albion | - | 77 |
| Portsmouth | - | 171 |
| Charlton Athletic | - | 70 |
| Wimbledon | - | 113 |
| Ipswich | - | 270 |
| Luton Town | - | 103 |
| Millwall | - | 136 |

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THE LINK UP! WITH BAT AND BALL

This year **Paul Pridgeon** the **Worcestershire County Cricketer** is awarded a benefit. A little known fact has been derived from Paul's benefit brochure. Included in the brochure is an article by Swindon Town Coach **'Chic' Bates**. Both **'Chic'** and **Paul** played for **Stourbridge** in their younger days. It was the prolific goalscoring partnership between **'Chic'** and **Ray Haywood** that prompted **Shrewsbury Town** to sign both players from the non-League Club.

There were instant rewards for the **Gay Meadow** Club who invested **£8,500** in **'Chic'** and **£3,500** for **Ray Haywood**, for **Shrewsbury Town** gained promotion from the **Fourth Division**. That season **Mansfield Town** clinched the championship with the Shropshire Club finishing in runners-up position. **'Chic'** scored **Seventeen** goals while **Ray Haywood** notched **twenty one**. Diverse occupations for **'Chic'** and Paul Pridgeon, but both found a manner of living from the world of professional sport.

REARRANGED DATES

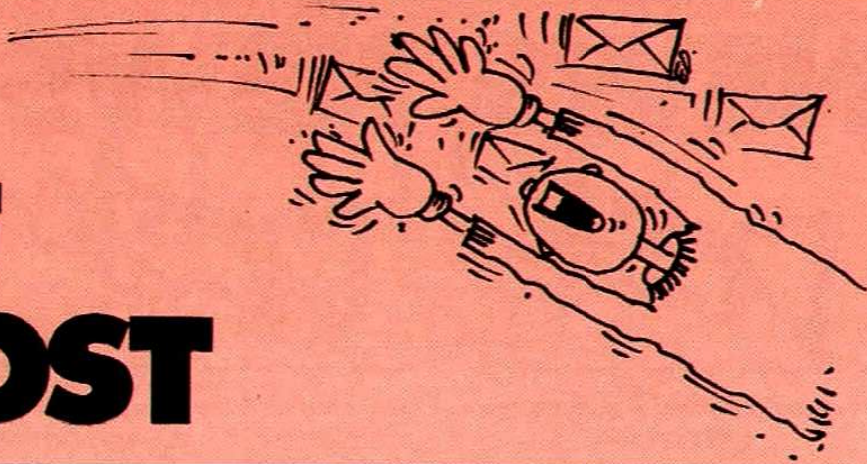
Our **'Ovenden Papers'** Football Combination fixture against **Wimbledon** at **Plough Lane** due to have been played on Saturday, January 28th, has now been rearranged for **Tuesday, April 4th**.

The **'Barclays'** Second Division fixture with **Crystal Palace** will now take place on **Tuesday April 25th. Kick-off 7.45 p.m.**

Our **'Ovenden Papers'** Football Combination fixture originally arranged for **Tuesday, March 14th** against **Tottenham Hotspur** at the **County Ground** will now be played the following day, **Wednesday, March 15th**.

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Dear Mr. King,

I am writing on behalf of the Anchor Boys and Officers of the 3rd Swindon Boys Brigade to express our thanks for the visit to Swindon Town Football Club to meet the players.

We all enjoyed it very much.

**Yours sincerely
Mrs. Jane Foster**

New College
Swindon
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Dear Mr. King,

Thank you very much for your help and co-operation with Gary O'Brien in his 'A' level Business Studies Project. The students obviously find the research and writing up of the report an invaluable experience in terms of bridging the gap between business studies theory and practice. Perhaps in the future you could accept another student to do some research. If this is going to be impossible then please could you let me know and I will ensure that you are not inconvenienced in the future.

Finally, could I say that obviously without the positive response of business people in the area, the project part of the examination could not be successful. For your help and understanding I am very grateful indeed.

**Yours sincerely,
B. Ayre
Business Studies Lecturer**

Kingswood Avenue
Park North
Swindon, Wilt.

Dear Mr. King,

On behalf of the Swindon Committee of the Cancer Relief Macmillan Fund, may I express our thanks to you for allowing us the opportunity to arrange a collection last Saturday, 18th February.

You will be pleased to learn that the amount of £216.93 was raised.

May I take this opportunity of thanking all your staff who were most helpful to us, especially to Lisa who assisted me in making the prior arrangements.

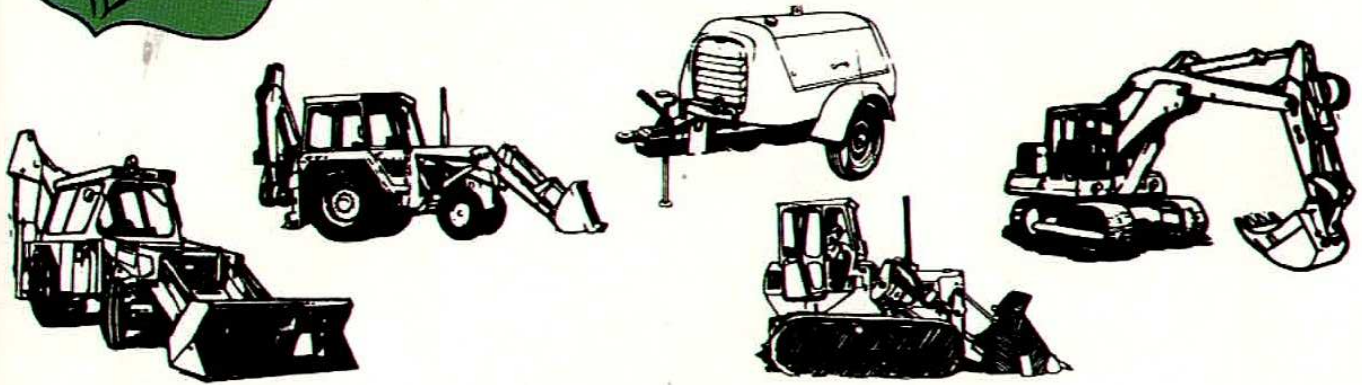
Again, our appreciation to you all.

**Yours sincerely
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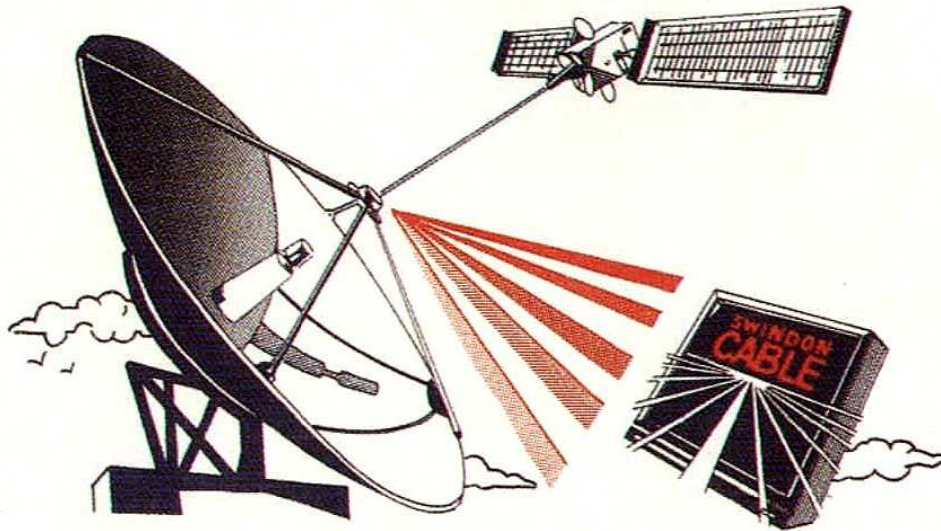


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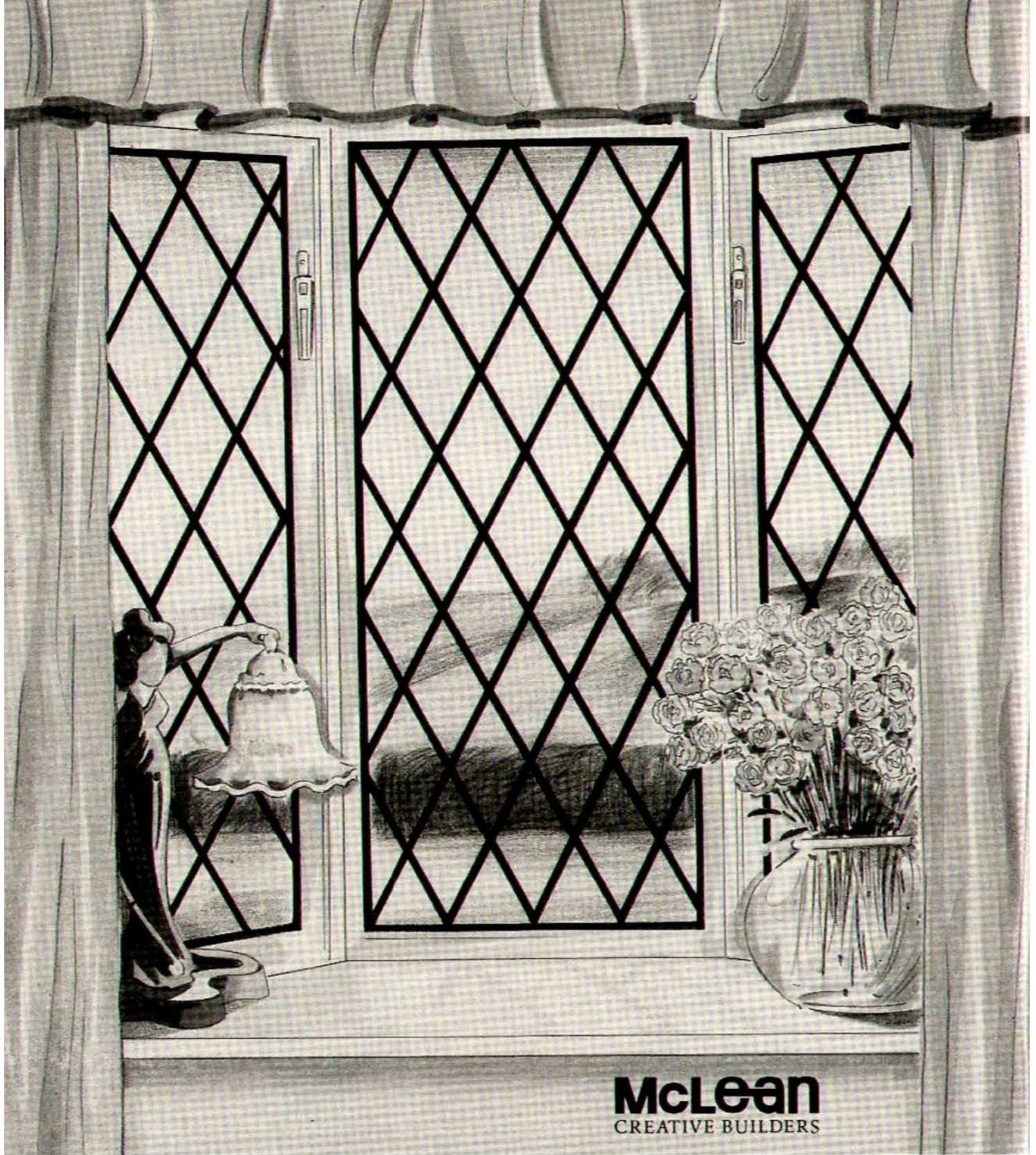
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VIEWPOINT

DISAPPOINTED

Disappointment? I really thought that I knew all about disappointment in life until I was forced, through injury, to miss the recent match at Leeds United.

Whether I would have been selected is another matter. All that I know is that I was looking forward to the trip. Leeds United were always an attraction for me even when I was a small boy. Yes, of course, I was bitterly disappointed and for me it is almost like starting all over again.

A BIG BLOW

After playing against Sunderland I was hoping that I would be given a run of matches in the first team to try and prove that I was worthy of consideration.

Little did I know as I left the field when I was substituted by Charlie Henry that in a few hours I would have a knee problem. That evening my knee was swollen so bad that I made the trip to the Casualty department at Princess Margaret Hospital. There was nothing they could do and the next day my knee was so swollen I knew that I had a problem. Eventually it was proven that I had a pinched ligament when our Physio, Kevin Morris, took a look at the knee.

FIRST TEAM ACTION

All players like first team action and following my brief introduction I can understand why. I know that very often the players are the same. Our Reserve team is often packed with experienced players. Yet, when I have appeared even as a substitute the pace is much faster.

Opposing players give you very little time to settle on the ball. The crowd makes a difference, you try to blank them out of your mind, but you know that they are there when you make a mistake. I received a good reception in the Sunderland game and I was thankful for that. Although I was always conscious of the crowd if I made a mistake.

FITZROY SIMPSON

LUCKY ME!

Luck is on my side, I am convinced of that. Right out of the blue I have found myself thrust into professional football. One day I was sat taking a college course in PE, Leisure and Recreation and then hey presto!

Youth and Reserve team football was a novelty but of course I have become accustomed to playing in the Reserves, you soon get used to a level of play. I am always looking for a bigger challenge. I still enjoy Reserve team football but obviously the first team is my immediate aim.

MY FAVOURITE POSITION

Actually it is in the centre of mid-field play that is my preferable position but I know with Steve Foley, Tommy Jones and Alan McLoughlin in contention how difficult it will be for me to play in my favourite position.

I have always thought that when you play in the centre of midfield you can see everything, the play seems to be all around you and it is easier. It is definitely my strongest position. Still, I am glad to be in any position if it earns me a first team match.

NO IDOL, BUT I ADMIRE GLENN

I am often asked if I base my game on anyone or whether I admire any particular player. The answer is no and yes. I do not base my game on anyone but I do admire Glenn Hoddle.

Glenn is always ambitious to try anything and that is always how I see myself wanting to play. I like to think players have to be given licence to try things and be adventurous with their passing. I had no schoolboy hero but Glenn is someone to admire.



● FITZROY SIMPSON

A BIG HELP

I have found that the senior players have been a big help when I have had a brief excursion with the first team, it obviously helps to get some encouragement and advice.

Ross Maclaren was helpful in this respect and also Paul Bodin because against Sunderland I was playing directly in front of him. They were always urging me to keep going. Really I had little to lose in my first full game and a lot more to gain.

GRATEFUL

On my debut I couldn't help but think of the people I had to be grateful to for allowing me to progress so far. I could not have believed that I would have been appearing in Second Division football a few years ago.

My mum and my family have always given me encouragement and I was grateful for the coaching staff here having faith in me. My girl friend, Claire, is always one of my biggest fans and that is always a big help. I suppose I have to start all over again now and fight my way back into first team contention. More hard work and I hope to make a reappearance in the Reserves this week.

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● Duncan Shearer scores Swindon's first goal in the win over Leicester.

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● Duncan Shearer just fails to score a second against Leicester.



● Alan McLoughlin powers a shot goalwards during the 2-1 win over Leicester.

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SWINDON TOWN 1988/89

| DATE | OPONENTS | V | Attnd | Result | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
|----------|----------------------------------|---|--------|--------|-------|------------|----------|-----------------|----------------|-------------|-------------|
| 29.8.88 | MON BARNSELEY | A | 6,034 | 1-1 | Digby | Hockaday | King | Maclaren | Parkin | Gittens | McLoughlin |
| 3.9.88 | SAT WEST BROM | A | 7,512 | 1-3 | Digby | Hockaday | King | Maclaren | Parkin | Gittens | Bodin |
| 11.9.88 | SUN PORTSMOUTH | H | 11,443 | 1-1 | Digby | Hockaday | King | Maclaren | Calderwood | Gittens | Foley (1) |
| 17.9.88 | SAT BLACKBURN ROVERS | A | 7,622 | 0-0 | Digby | Hockaday | King | Maclaren | Parkin | Calderwood | Foley |
| 20.9.88 | TUE A.F.C. BOURNEMOUTH (7.45) | H | 8,055 | 3-1 | Digby | Hockaday | King | Maclaren (1)(p) | Calderwood (1) | Gittens | Foley |
| 24.9.88 | SAT BRIGHTON & HOVE ALBION | H | 6,585 | 3-0 | Digby | Hockaday | King | Maclaren | Calderwood (1) | Gittens | Foley |
| 27.9.88 | TUE CRYSTAL PALACE (7.45) (LCC1) | H | 7,064 | 1-2 | Digby | Hockaday | King | Maclaren | Parkin | Gittens | Foley |
| 1.10.88 | SAT WATFORD | A | 11,657 | 3-2 | Digby | Hockaday | King | Jones (1) | Parkin | Gittens | Foley |
| 5.10.88 | WED OXFORD UNITED | A | 9,398 | 1-1 | Digby | Hockaday | King | Jones | Parkin (1) | Gittens | Foley |
| 9.10.88 | SUN CHELSEA | H | 11,927 | 1-1 | Digby | Hockaday | King | Jones | McLoughlin | Gittens | Foley |
| 12.10.88 | WED CRYSTAL PALACE (8.00) (LCC1) | A | 6,015 | 0-2 | Digby | Hockaday | King | Gittens | Henry | Jones | Foley |
| 16.10.88 | SUN LEEDS UNITED | H | 9,234 | 0-0 | Digby | Hockaday | King | Jones | Parkin | Gittens | Foley |
| 22.10.88 | SAT SUNDERLAND | A | 13,520 | 0-4 | Digby | Hockaday | King | Jones | Parkin | Gittens | Foley |
| 26.10.88 | WED LEICESTER CITY (7.45) | A | 9,754 | 3-3 | Digby | Hockaday | King (1) | Jones | Parkin | Gittens | Foley |
| 29.10.88 | SAT BIRMINGHAM CITY | H | 6,937 | 2-1 | Digby | Hockaday | King | Jones | Parkin | Gittens | Foley |
| 5.11.88 | SAT HULL CITY | A | 5,192 | 0-1 | Digby | Hockaday | King | Jones | Parkin | Gittens | Foley |
| 9.11.88 | WED NORWICH CITY (SIMOD CUP) | A | 5,014 | 1-2 | Digby | Hockaday | King | Maclaren | Parkin | Gittens | McLoughlin |
| 12.11.88 | SAT IPSWICH TOWN | H | 7,246 | 2-3 | Digby | Hockaday | King | Jones | Parkin | Gittens (1) | Foley |
| 19.11.88 | SAT STOKE CITY | A | 9,339 | 1-2 | Digby | Hockaday | King | Jones (1) | Parkin | Gittens | Foley |
| 26.11.88 | SAT WALSALL | H | 5,328 | 1-0 | Digby | Hockaday | King | Jones | Parkin | Calderwood | Foley (1) |
| 3.12.88 | SAT SHREWSBURY TOWN | A | 3,626 | 1-0 | Digby | Hockaday | King | Jones | Parkin | Calderwood | Foley |
| 10.12.88 | SAT OLDHAM ATHLETIC | H | 5,540 | 2-2 | Digby | Hockaday | King | Jones* | Parkin | Calderwood | Foley |
| 17.12.88 | SAT BRADFORD CITY | A | 9,462 | 2-2 | Digby | Hockaday | King | Jones | Parkin | Calderwood | Foley |
| 26.12.88 | MON PLYMOUTH ARGYLE (3pm) | H | 7,883 | 1-0 | Digby | Hockaday | King | Jones | Parkin | Gittens | Foley |
| 31.12.88 | SAT MANCHESTER CITY | H | 10,776 | 1-2 | Digby | Hockaday | King | Jones | Parkin | Gittens* | Foley |
| 2.1.89 | MON PORTSMOUTH | A | 11,681 | 2-0 | Digby | Hockaday | King | Jones | Parkin* | Calderwood | Foley |
| 7.1.89 | SAT PORTSMOUTH (FA Cup R3) | A | 10,582 | 1-1 | Digby | Hockaday | King | Jones | Cornwell | Calderwood | Foley (1) |
| 10.1.89 | TUE PORTSMOUTH (FA Cup R3) | H | 11,457 | 2-0 | Digby | Hockaday* | King | Jones | Calderwood | White | Foley (1) |
| 14.1.89 | SAT BARNSELEY | H | 10,201 | 0-0 | Digby | McLoughlin | Bodin | Jones | Calderwood | Cornwell | Foley |
| 21.1.89 | SAT CRYSTAL PALACE | A | 8,109 | 1-2 | Digby | McLoughlin | Bodin | Jones | Calderwood | Cornwell | Foley (1) |
| 28.1.89 | SAT WEST HAM UTD. (FA Cup R4) | H | 18,627 | 0-0 | Digby | McLoughlin | Bodin | Jones | Calderwood | Gittens | Foley |
| 1.2.89 | WED WEST HAM UTD. (FA Cup R4) | A | 24,723 | 0-1 | Digby | McLoughlin | Bodin | Jones | Calderwood | Gittens | Foley |
| 5.2.89 | SUN OXFORD UNITED | H | 10,227 | 3-0 | Digby | Hockaday | Bodin | Jones | Calderwood (1) | Gittens | Foley |
| 11.2.89 | SAT CHELSEA | A | 17,802 | 2-3 | Digby | Hockaday | Bodin(1) | Jones | Calderwood | Gittens | Foley (1) |
| 18.2.89 | SAT SUNDERLAND | H | 7,432 | 4-1 | Digby | Hockaday | Bodin | Jones | Calderwood | Gittens | Shearer (2) |
| 25.2.89 | SAT LEEDS UNITED | A | 22,651 | 0-0 | Digby | Hockaday | Bodin | Jones | Calderwood | Gittens | Shearer |
| 28.2.89 | TUE LEICESTER CITY (7.45) | H | 7,456 | 2-1 | Digby | Hockaday | Bodin | Jones (p) | Calderwood | Gittens | Foley |
| 4.3.89 | SAT IPSWICH TOWN | A | 11,542 | 2-1 | Digby | Hockaday | Bodin | Jones | Calderwood | Parkin | Shearer |
| 11.3.89 | SAT HULL CITY | H | | | | | | | | | |
| 14.3.89 | TUE BIRMINGHAM CITY | A | | | | | | | | | |
| 18.3.89 | SAT A.F.C. BOURNEMOUTH | A | | | | | | | | | |
| 25.3.89 | SAT WEST BROM | H | | | | | | | | | |
| 27.3.89 | MON PLYMOUTH ARGYLE | A | | | | | | | | | |
| 1.4.89 | SAT BLACKBURN ROVERS | H | | | | | | | | | |
| 4.4.89 | TUE BRADFORD CITY (7.45) | H | | | | | | | | | |
| 8.4.89 | SAT MANCHESTER CITY | A | | | | | | | | | |
| 15.4.89 | SAT WATFORD | H | | | | | | | | | |
| 22.4.89 | SAT BRIGHTON AND HOVE ALBION | A | | | | | | | | | |
| 25.4.89 | TUE CRYSTAL PALACE (7.45) | H | | | | | | | | | |
| 29.4.89 | SAT WALSALL | A | | | | | | | | | |
| 1.5.89 | MON SHREWSBURY TOWN | H | | | | | | | | | |
| 6.5.89 | SAT STOKE CITY | H | | | | | | | | | |
| 13.5.89 | SAT OLDHAM ATHLETIC | A | | | | | | | | | |

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| Dec 9th | 1978 | Won 2-0 | Miller, Carter | 5,651 |
| Oct 6th | 1979 | Drew 0-0 | | 7,459 |
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| Steve White | 11 |
| Duncan Shearer | 10 |
| Steve Foley | 6 |
| Bobby Barnes | 3 |
| Colin Calderwood | 3 |
| Dave Geddis | 3 |
| Charlie Henry | 3 |
| Tommy Jones | 3 |
| Alan McLoughlin | 2 |
| Paul Bodin | 1 |
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| Ross Maclaren | 2 Penalties |
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SHORT & SWEET

'OUT OF DARKNESS COMETH LIGHT'

Walsall have provided the definite proof of the saying 'Out of darkness cometh light'. The Second Division's rock bottom Club, thrashed 7-0 by Chelsea at home on February 4th, have sold more than 200 copies of their 15th consecutive defeat - to Chelsea fans.

'STOP ME AND BUY ONE'

Sponsorship broke new ground in West Germany recently and it won't be long before an English Club sends its players out wearing the message: "Stop me and buy one". West German Second Division side F.C. Hamburg have won a court action allowing a condom advertisement on their players shirts!

REVENGE

A total of 479 Clubs were accepted for this season's F.A. Challenge Vase, with 32 exempt until the First Round and another 32 until the Second Round. A complete freak draw threw last years finalists Colne Dynamos and Ernley, together in their first Vase tie this season. Ernley gaining revenge 2-1.

KIM - THE FIRST!

Kim George became the first woman to referee an F.A. Cup match - last September's Preliminary Round tie between Shoreham and Eastbourne United. Kim has been a qualified official for eight years.

ENGLISH SCHOOLS ASSOCIATION

The English Schools Association have more than 13,000 affiliated schools and around 250,000 pupils. The 13,000 schools are affiliated to Area Associations, ranging from Manchester and Newcastle to rural areas like Holland (Lincs) and East Cornwall.

CHRISTMAS BEFORE THERE WAS JOY!

Peter Coyne's former Club Hyde United lost more matches on their plastic pitch when it was laid for the 1985-86 season, then they won! In fact it was Christmas before they won a Saturday afternoon home match. Several Football League Clubs train here before travelling on to meet similar surfaces at Oldham Athletic and Preston North End.

A BREAKDOWN

A total of 525 Clubs entered the F.A. Cup this season, but by the time the 36 winners of regional groups join the senior Clubs who have been exempted to the Fourth Qualifying Round, the pressure is on. Four Non-League Clubs receive a place in the First Round proper. These are the previous years F.A. Trophy finalists and the two Clubs with best recent F.A. Cup record.

OUT OF ORDER

Referee David Elleray, a teacher at Harrow public school, had a tape recorder hidden under his shirt during Arsenal's match at Millwall last month. This was to help Granada TV's new current affairs series 'Out of Order'.

AGENTS FACE FOOTBALL BOOT

Football agents will be banned from stopping journalists interviewing their players under a proposal backed unanimously by the G.M. Vauxhall Conference's twenty two Clubs. The plan comes into force next season.

MAGNUS AND JIM ON MIRANDINHA

Jim Smith on Mastermind, specialist subject Mirandinha, of Newcastle and Brazil. Magnus: "What does Mirandinha like doing least of all?"

Jim: "Pass"

Magnus: "Correct."

HOW COULD YOU, BRIAN?

Torquay United, who have a membership only scheme, have discovered that one fan has been using a identity card with Brian Clough's picture and name on it. Club Secretary Dave Turner said the Club are trying to track down the would-be Clough.

PINK FOR THE BOYS!

Soccer chiefs could be ticked pink by an idea to cure terrace hooligans - pink floodlights! Colour therapist Marie-Louise Lacy says pink is soothing and relaxes muscles. She also says it would solve crowd problems that the ID card system would not. F.A. spokesman David Bloomfield said that the ideas would be considered.

A BONUS

This season is a bonus for Alan Devonshire, in more ways than one. West Ham's 31-year-old thought his career was over because of knee trouble last summer. But he is still there in midfield this season and receiving a special fee of £1,000 a match. It is a typical West Ham gesture, enhancing their reputation as one of the most generous Clubs in the League.

MASCOT GYPS ON THE BALL

Refereeing a Chippenham Town football match could drive you barking mad! It's bad enough when human spectators have a bone to pick, but when your every decision is watched by a Border Collie called Gyp you know you're in for a tough time. Every Saturday, mascot Gyp is there on the sidelines - barking approval or whining disappointment. "He just live and dies football," said Gyp's owner Sandie Webb, wife of Club Chairman Doug Webb.

THE CITY OF HULL

Hull is the largest City in England never to have a Club in the First Division. Hull City are one of five Second Division Clubs showing a drop of more than 20 per cent in support compared to last season!

TOM FINNEY IN LD. PROTEST

Tom Finney and Neil Franklin were among a group of six distinguished footballers who handed in a letter to the House of Lords opposing the Football Spectators Bill. The others were John Charles, Ivor Allchurch, Nat Lofthouse and Jack Kelsey.

HOW IS THIS FOR HONESTY

Bill McCullough, Chairman of Barrow, did the honourable thing by informing HFS Loans League that his Club had fielded an ineligible player, Peter Harrison, in their League Cup win at Mossley in December. The player was, in fact, serving a period of suspension at the time. Mossley were duly reinstated.

JUST A SHORT WALK

Dundee United Coach, Gordon Wallace, who recently took over as they new Manager of Dundee, only has to walk a mere 200 yards from Tannadice where he has been Coach for six years. The walk to Dens Park is familiar, for Gordon spent most of his playing career with Dundee!

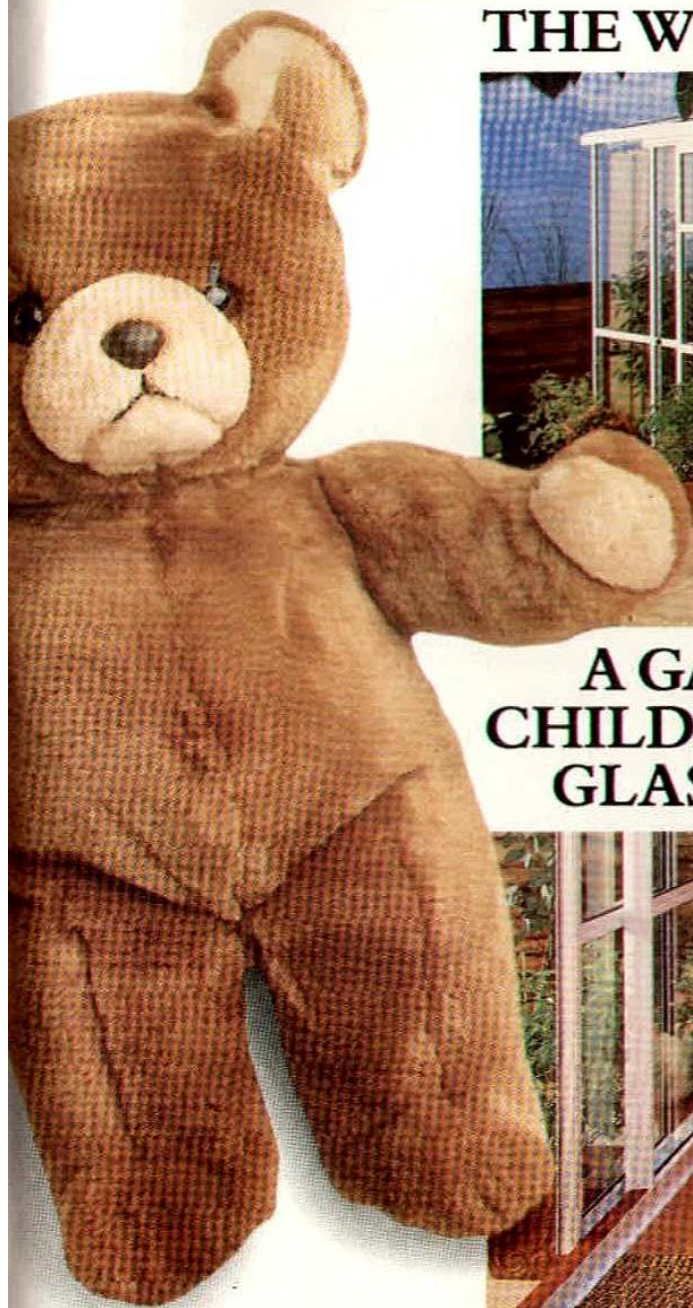
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The Barclays Trophy which was presented to Liverpool last season is fashioned in silver, is 21" high, weighs 3½ kilos and was designed by a 17-year-old Cambridge Art student, Luke Gifford, in a national competition for students of 18 and under which attracted nearly 6,000 entries.

PLEASE, ASK ME BACK

As Scarborough threatened to score in their recent match at Torquay United on rushed eight-year-old ball boy Jonathon Down. He picked up the ball stopping a Scarborough move. Afterwards he said: "We'd been told exactly what to do but I saw the ball coming toward me and I forgot everything and ran onto the pitch. I just hope they ask me back!"

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6. Colin Calderwood
7. Steve Foley
8. Alan McLoughlin
9. Duncan Shearer
10. Ross Maclaren
11. Steve White
12. David Geddis
14. John Cornwell

HULL CITY

Team Changes

1. Iain Hesford
2. Nicky Brown
3. Wayne Jacobs
4. Ken De Mange
5. Richard Jobson
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9. Billy Whitehurst
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