

QUEEN'S PARK RANGERS FOOTBALL CLUB



LOFTUS ROAD GROUND

SHEPHERDS BUSH. W.12

Saturday, August 22nd, 1959 K.O. 3.15 p.m. League, Div. III
SWINDON TOWN



Welcome again to Swindon Town (above) who have the honour of being first Division III opposition at Loftus Road this season.

NEXT MATCHES AT THIS STADIUM

Football Combination
BRISTOL ROVERS

MONDAY, AUG. 24th
Kick off ... 7.30 p.m.

Seanglian League
CRYSTAL PALACE

SATURDAY, AUG. 29th
Kick off ... 3.15 p.m.

League, Division III
SOUTHEND

MONDAY, AUG. 31st
Kick off ... 7.30 p.m.

QUEEN'S PARK RANGERS

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Comment

by THE RANGER

NEW names, new faces. New hopes of success for the season about to commence. Thus another soccer season starts at Loftus Road.

The departure of Jack Taylor to take over as manager at Leeds, and Alec Stock subsequently taking over his job, these were two of the 'close season' news headlines.

A man of proven ability, Alec Stock once managed Yeovil and Leyton Orient. He was with Arsenal as assistant to the late Tom Whittaker for a short while and also

spent some time with Italian crack club Roma.

Prior to this Alec, as most of our older supporters will remember, served this club as a player.

Rome wasn't built in a day, and it would be asking rather a lot to expect our new manager to achieve startling success immediately. But he is quietly confident that Second Division football can be brought back to Loftus Road. There is plenty of hard work to do before this can be achieved, and here and now let it be said that the enthusiasm of the Rangers' supporters will play an important part in helping the club to future successes.

Our new manager believes in

THE VISITORS

SWINDON TOWN: Ground—County Ground, Swindon.

Manager—Bert Head.

COLOURS: Red Shirts, White Shorts.

RECORD HOME GATE: 28,400 v. Stoke, 2nd February, 1952 (F.A. Cup).

1958-59 GOALSCORERS—League: Edwards 9, Kelly 9, Micklewright 8, Marshall 6, Richards 6, Darcy 5, Chamberlain 2, Owen 2, Skull 2, Clayton 1, Corbett 1, Hudson 1, Jackson 1, Moore 1, Neal 1, Stevens 1, Opponents 3. Total 59. Cup: Darcy 3, Edwards 1, Kelly 1, Richards 1. Total 6.

WALTER BINGLEY (Left back). Born in Sheffield. Signed in the early part of the 1958 season, making his League debut for the "Robins"

then, ever present since. Walter came from Sheffield Wednesday, with Bolton previously. He stands 6ft., weighs 12st.

JOHN NEAL (Right back). Signed from Hull City after spending one season with King's Lynn in 1957. A keen tackler, fast in recovery. Represented the South in North v. South League 3 Representative Match last season. Has been a professional sprinter. Stands 5ft. 9in., weighs 10st. 11lb.

JOHN FOUNTAIN (Right half). Born in Leeds. Signed from Sheffield United in 1957. He stands 5ft. 9in., weighs 10½st.

GEORGE HUDSON (Centre half). Became a Swindon player in September, 1948, and gained his League place in latter half of that season. A native of Havant (Hants), was a professional with Portsmouth before joining the "Robins." Must be one of the strongest centre half backs in the League. He stands 6ft. 1½in., weighing 15st.

speaking straight from the shoulder, and he'll not hesitate to tell you that some of the old enthusiasm that used to be associated with the club needs to be restored. He'll also tell you that he is mighty proud to renew association with Q.P.R.

A firm believer in publicity, Alec Stock aims to constantly keep Rangers in the newspaper headlines. Since he joined the club nine weeks ago he has done a lot of re-organising and, as you will know, signed several new players. And the club has certainly been in the headlines.

The 'new look' Rangers will endeavour to provide the goals, thrills, entertainment and winning points. Come along regularly to Loftus Road and see them do it, and thus encourage the lads and help the club towards its desired prosperity.

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Swindon, our visitors in today's opening game of the season, also met us in the final match of last season when we beat them by 2 goals to 1.

The possessors of a very strong defence, Swindon don't concede goals easily, but last year goals didn't come to them easily. In fact not one of their forwards reached double figures.

During the early part of last season Swindon were well amongst the league leaders, but unfortunately their effort was not sustained.

Editorial

WELCOME to Loftus Stadium for the opening game of the 1959/60 season. As always at this time of the season supporters eagerly look forward to seeing their old favourites and new players in action.

Early successes are, naturally, to be hoped for. But it is sustained good form that will eventually bring promotion. So join me in hoping that Rangers will start in winning form and keep going with the same pattern.

Those of us who knew our new manager, Alec Stock, during his playing days with this club have every confidence in him. His energy, ability and enthusiasm (Alec's pet word) will soon be made apparant for you all to see. Enter into the spirit of the thing and help Alec to fulfil an ambition — to really put Queen's Park Rangers on the soccer map.

There hasn't been any 'close season' for our Secretary, George Hurley. He's been too busy for even just one day off from his office. Mr. Hurley has worked like a trojan to see that all is ready for today's kick-off, but he did ask me to mention that should any season ticket holders find that their seats are not labelled "R" would they please advise the office in order that the matter be remedied.

Monday next at 7.30 our London Combination team meet Bristol Rovers. This season we have a team participating in the newly formed Seanglian League, and our first home match in this will be next Saturday when we entertain Crystal Palace.

REX TILLEY (Left half). Signed this close season from Plymouth. Joined Plymouth from Chippenham. After a period of six years with Plymouth, he has joined the "Robins." Born in Swindon. Stands 5ft. 11in., weighs 10½st.

JOHN STEPHENS (Outside right). Joined the "Robins" in the close season for a large fee from Hull City. At the age of 22 he has already been capped for Wales Under-23 side. He was among the forty out of which the Welsh team for the World Cup series was selected. Stands 5ft. 8in., weighs 10½st.

ANDY MICKLEWRIGHT (Inside right). Was with Bristol Rovers and Bristol City before joining Swindon in 1955-56 season. Born in Smethwick. Stands 5ft. 10in., weighs 11st. 5lb.

BOB EDWARDS (Inside left). Last season was second highest scorer with 15 goals. He was ever present last year in the club's best year for some seasons. He joined the town in 1956 from Chelsea. Stands 5ft. 11in., weighing 11st. 10lbs.

Born at Guildford.

LES MARSHALL (Centre-forward). Transferred to Swindon from Bradford City in the latter part of this season. Has scored 5 goals for the first team. Born Glencarron, Scotland.

ARNOLD DARCY (Outside left). Born at Blackburn. Joined the "Robins" from Wigan Athletic during 1956-57 season. Ever present last year. Played as an amateur for Accrington Stanley in 1952-53 season. Stands 5ft. 8in., weighs 10st. 5lbs.

RAY CHANDLER (Goalkeeper). Signed from Bristol Rovers in 1956 season after completing 3 years with that club. Born at Bath (Somerset). Stands 6ft., weighs 13st.

JOHN RICHARDS (Inside right). Signed from the Army during 1957-58 season. A goal scoring inside forward. Last season top goal scorer with 17. Stands 5ft. 11in., weighs 12½st. A versatile forward, playing in all inside forward positions and right wing.

QUEEN'S PARK RANGERS

(Royal Blue and White)

M. PINNER Goal				
	2		3	
	WOODS		INGHAM	
	Right Back		Left Back	
4		5		6
PETCHY		RUTTER		ANGELL
Right Half		Centre Half		Left Half
	8		10	
	Longbottom		BEDFORD	
	Inside Right		Inside Left	
7		9		11
J. CINI		WHITELAW		ANDREWS
Outside Right		Centre Forward		Outside Left

Referee :
Mr. F. COLLINGE
(Rochdale)



Linesmen :
Mr. B. HILLS (Red Flag)
Mr. J. C. JAYS
(Yellow Flag)

11		9		7
DARCY		LAYNE		STEPHENS
Outside Left		Centre Forward		Outside Right
	10		8	
	GOULD		ATKINS	
	Inside Left		Inside Right	
6		5		4
TILLEY		MELLOR		FOUNTAIN
Left Half		Centre Half		Right Half
	3		2	
	BINGLEY		HIGGINS	
	Left Back		Right Back	
		Goal		
		BURTON		

SWINDON TOWN

(Red and White)

football fans read

NEWS OF THE WORLD

expert reports



SHEPHERDS BUSH PIE

● "It's the best atmosphere I've found yet," confided new Ranger, Jimmy Andrews, who previously played for Leyton Orient, West Ham and Dundee United. And, of course, Jimmy is more than happy to be alongside his old boss, manager Alec Stock, once again.

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● John Collins, who was due to sign professional forms for the club yesterday, broke an arm in a practice game here last Monday night. Bad luck, John, and here's wishing you a rapid recovery.

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● Sad news was that of the death of Sam Able, one of our old players, who died suddenly from thrombosis last Monday week. A first class full back, Sam played for us in the early post-war years.

● Further pre-season casualties are Johnnie Pearson with a re-occurred knee injury, and Pat Kerrins recovering from cartilage trouble.

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● New signings at Loftus Road include Brian Skingley and Bert Brown (from Crystal Palace); Ken Whitfield (Brighton); Jimmy Andrews (Leyton Orient); Brian Bedford (Bournemouth); Mike Pinner (Sheffield Wednesday/Pegasus) and Joe Cini from Malta. The latter player once played for Leyton Orient for a brief period.

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● Intent on poaching an early lead is our prolific goalscoring inside forward, Arthur Longbottom. A supreme opportunist, Arthur has attracted the eyes of several leading clubs who

would like him on their books and would pay a big fee if he were available.

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● "It should be out Saturday", Rangers' Supporters' Club secretary Bill Clow told us during the week. He was, of course, referring to the 1959/60 Club Handbook, a more lavish than ever before effort with a host of new photos and features for your pleasure. Here's hoping that the printer has not let Bill down, and that ample supplies of this worthy publication will be on sale at the stadium this afternoon. At 1/6d. it's too good a bargain to miss, and every Rangers fan should buy one now. Fact is there is only a limited print order and some people will eventually find it impossible to buy a copy.

SCOREBOARD

(Half-Times)

FOOTBALL LEAGUE — DIVISION I

A	Arsenal v. Sheffield Wed.	.....
B	Birmingham v. Wolves	.....
C	Blackburn v. Fulham	.....
D	Blackpool v. Bolton	.....
E	Chelsea v. Preston	.....
F	Everton v. Luton	.....
G	Leeds United v. Burnley	.....
H	Man. City v. Nottm. F.	.....
J	Newcastle v. Tottenham	.....
K	W.B.A. v. Man. United	.....
L	West Ham v. Leicester	.....

FOOTBALL LEAGUE — DIVISION II

A	Brighton v. Aston Villa	.....
B	Bristol R. v. Leyton O.	.....
C	Cardiff v. Liverpool	.....
D	Hull v. Plymouth	.....
E	Ipswich v. Huddersfield	.....
F	Middlesbro' v. Portsmouth	.....
G	Rotherham v. Charlton	.....
H	Scunthorpe v. Bristol C.	.....
J	Sheffield U. v. Derby	.....
K	Stoke v. Sunderland	.....
L	Swansea v. Lincoln	.....

FOOTBALL LEAGUE — DIVISION III

A	Barnsley v. Brentford	.....	G	Reading v. Port Vale	.....
B	Bradford C. v. York	.....	H	Shrewsbury v. Bournemouth	.....
C	Bury v. Colchester U.	.....	J	Southampton v. Norwich	.....
D	Coventry v. Mansfield	.....	K	Tranmere v. Accrington	.....
E	Grimsby v. Chesterfield	.....	L	Wrexham v. Newport	.....
F	Halifax v. Southend	.....	M		.....

SUPPORTERS' CORNER

"BEATING ABOUT THE 'BUSH'"

BACK AGAIN! Seems only a short time ago that we were wending our way from the Ground after the last match and saying to each other—"well, that's that for another season", yet here we are again, back on the old terraces and wondering what's in store for us for the next few months.

We have a hunch, though, that there will be a quickening of the pace as the Ground is reached today; a little more eagerness to find that favourite spot, for we have had some useful publicity during the Summer months, culminating in our "Television appearance" which has whetted the appetite of all true fans.

But above all else, what has intrigued supporters more than anything else, is, of course, the 'signing' of a new Manager in the person of Mr. Alec Stock, who, as a former Q.P.R. player, knows his way around the Ground, and whose appointment has proved a popular choice. Judging by the many letters received and from the reception given Mr. Stock at a private practice match three weeks ago, to which members of the Supporters' Club had been invited, a new spirit of optimism prevails.

Mr. Stock has said that a new outlook is required. A more positive and resolute approach to the problems of Q.P.R. is needed. He calls upon Rangers' supporters particularly for more active support and help.

In Committee, a great deal of preparation for the new season has been going on behind the scenes and a close liaison has been maintained with our Manager on our work and problems.

An immediate result of this close co-operation is that already **a hundred supporters have volunteered to become Agents for our Football Competition this season**, a most encouraging start.

It needs now only another hundred enthusiasts to come forward and join us in this satisfying work to ensure the ultimate success of the Competition and an assured income for the Club, which will make the lot of our new Manager so much easier in his quest to put Q.P.R. back on the football map.

Will **you** be one of our 'second army' of helpers? If you will, contact our Organiser Mr. W. Hooper at the back of the Main Stand, any member of the Committee, or drop a line to Secretary Bill Clow. Your help will be more than appreciated.

THE HANDBOOK. It is at this time of the year that intense interest is shown in the publication of the **Q.P.R. Handbook**. Supporters are naturally anxious to learn all about the new players, see their photographs, read what the Manager and other Officials have to say about the prospects for the new season, etc., etc.

Supporters will readily appreciate the immense difficulties encountered in the publication of the Handbook at all in view of the printing dispute, with the inevitable held-up of all periodicals of this nature. Since the ending of the dispute recently, tremendous efforts are being made to rush the Handbook through in order that copies may be on sale for the opening games and we ask the indulgence of supporters if any slight errors creep in due to having correct galley-proofs in a most unorthodox form, and in double-quick time.

We are pleased to say, however, that **there is a chance of the Handbook being on sale at today's opening game**. The price will be 1/6d. (an increase of 3d. on last season), but unavoidable in view of a 25% increase in production costs.

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

Please enrol me as a member of Q.P.R. Supporters' Club for the current season.

I enclose herewith Postal Order in respect of:—

	£	s.	d.
Membership Subscription	:	:	:
(minimum 1s.)			
Club Badge (1/-)	:	:	:
Year Bar (1s.)	:	:	:
(Juniors, up to 15 years of age, 1/- includes badge)			

TOTAL

(Please delete words not applicable)

Name

Address

(Please print in BLOCK CAPITALS and state whether Mr., Mrs., Junior, etc.)

Hand this form, with your subscription, to any member of the Committee at the Club-room or Huts on the Ground, or post to the Membership Secretary:—

Mr. W. Pritchard, C5 Peabody Estate, Delgarno Gardens, London, W.10, enclosing a stamped addressed envelope.

These 'Notes' are necessarily penned at the beginning of the week and it is difficult for us to make firm promises, but a big hustle is going on right now and our tip is—watch out for the Hand-book today! Every effort is being made to ensure publication!

DON'T FORGET to make a good start to the season by joining the Supporters Club as soon as possible. Let's make this a bumper season for membership and show everyone we mean business!

Join at any of our Huts, or fill in the form below and post to the Membership Secretary. Please enclose a prepaid, s. a. e. Thanks!



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of all
Q.P.R. MATCHES

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Every Friday

FOOTBALL LEAGUE—DIVISION III

1959

Sat. Aug. 22	SWINDON TOWN	HOME
Mon. " 24	Southend United	Away
Sat. " 29	Chesterfield	Away
Mon. " 31	SOUTHEND UNITED	HOME
Sat. Sept. 5	NEWPORT COUNTY	HOME
Mon. " 7	York City	Away
Sat. " 12	Accrington Stanley	Away
Mon. " 14	YORK CITY	HOME
Sat. " 19	BOURNEMOUTH	HOME
Mon. " 21	Coventry City	Away
Sat. " 26	Tranmere Rovers	Away
Mon. " 28	COVENTRY CITY	HOME
Sat. Oct. 3	WREXHAM	HOME
Mon. " 5	GRIMSBY TOWN	HOME
Sat. " 10	Mansfield Town	Away
Tues. " 13	Grimsby Town	Away
Sat. " 17	HALIFAX TOWN	HOME
Sat. " 24	Bury	Away
Sat. " 31	BRENTFORD	HOME
Sat. Nov. 7	Southampton	Away
Sat. " 14	(1)	
Sat. " 21	Shrewsbury Town	Away
Sat. " 28	PORT VALE	HOME
Sat. Dec. 5	(2)	
Sat. " 12	Barnsley	Away
Sat. " 19	Swindon Town	Away
Sat. " 26	COLCHESTER U.	HOME
Mon. " 28	Colchester United	Away

1960

Sat. Jan. 2	CHESTERFIELD	HOME
Sat. " 9	(3) READING	HOME
Sat. " 16	Newport County	Away
Sat. " 23	ACCRINGTON S.	HOME
Sat. " 30	(4) Norwich City	Away
Sat. Feb. 6	Bournemouth & B.	Away
Sat. " 13	TRANMERE ROVERS	HOME
Sat. " 20	(5) Wrexham	Away
Sat. " 27	MANSFIELD TOWN	HOME
Sat. Mar. 5	Halifax Town	Away
Sat. " 12	(6) BURY	HOME
Sat. " 19	Port Vale	Away
Sat. " 26	(S.F.) SOUTHAMPTON	HOME
Sat. Apr. 2	Reading	Away
Sat. " 9	SHREWSBURY TOWN	HOME
Fri. " 15	BRADFORD CITY	HOME
Sat. " 16	Brentford	Away
Mon. " 18	Bradford City	Away
Sat. " 23	NORWICH CITY	HOME
Sat. " 30	BARNSELY	HOME
Sat. May 7	(Final)	

**1959-60 FIXTURES
AND RESULTS**

FOOTBALL COMBINATION, DIV. 2

1959

Sat. Aug. 22	Fulham	Away
Mon. " 24	BRISTOL ROVERS	HOME
Sat. " 29	Bristol Rovers	Away
Sat. Sept. 5	Aldershot	Away
Mon. " 7	SWINDON TOWN	HOME
Sat. " 12	GILLINGHAM	HOME
Sat. " 19		
Mon. " 21	NORTHAMPTON T.	HOME
Sat. " 26	CRYSTAL PALACE	HOME
Sat. Oct. 3		
Sat. " 10	NORWICH CITY	HOME
Wed. " 14	Gillingham	Away
Sat. " 17	Plymouth Argyle	Away
Sat. " 24	NOTTS COUNTY	HOME
Sat. " 31	Reading	Away
Sat. Nov. 7	CARDIFF CITY	HOME
Sat. " 14	Watford	Away
Sat. " 21	COLCHESTER U.	HOME
Sat. " 28	Brentford	Away
Sat. Dec. 5	MANSFIELD TOWN	HOME
Sat. " 12	Norwich City	Away
Sat. " 19	FULHAM	HOME
Sat. " 26	Coventry City	Away
Mon. " 28	COVENTRY CITY	HOME

1960

Sat. Jan. 2		
Sat. " 9		
Sat. " 16	ALDERSHOT	HOME
Sat. " 23		
Sat. " 30	SWINDON TOWN	HOME
Sat. Feb. 6	MILLWALL	HOME
Sat. " 13	Crystal Palace	Away
Sat. " 20	Northampton Town	Away
Sat. " 27	Notts County	Away
Sat. Mar. 5	READING	HOME
Sat. " 12	Cardiff City	Away
Sat. " 19	WATFORD	HOME
Sat. " 26	Colchester United	Away
Sat. Apr. 2	BRENTFORD	HOME
Sat. " 9	Mansfield Town	Away
Fri. " 15	Shrewsbury Town	Away
Sat. " 16	PLYMOUTH ARG.	HOME
Mon. " 18	SHREWSBURY T.	HOME
Sat. " 23		
Sat. " 30	Millwall	Away
Sat. May 7		

FINAL TABLE — SEASON 1958/59

FOOTBALL LEAGUE — DIVISION III

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
Plymouth	46	23	16	7	89	59	62
Hull City	46	26	9	11	90	55	61
Brentford	46	21	15	10	76	49	57
Norwich	46	22	13	11	89	62	57
Colchester	46	21	10	15	71	67	52
Reading	46	21	8	17	78	63	50
Tranmere	46	21	8	17	82	67	50
Southend	46	21	8	17	85	80	50
Halifax	46	21	8	17	80	77	50
Bury	46	17	14	15	69	58	48
Bradford City	46	18	11	17	84	76	47
Bournemouth	46	17	12	17	69	69	46
Q.P.R.	46	19	8	19	74	77	46
Southampton	46	17	11	18	88	80	45
Swindon	46	16	13	17	59	57	45
Chesterfield	46	17	10	19	67	64	44
Newport	46	17	9	20	69	68	43
Wrexham	46	14	14	18	63	77	42
Accrington	46	15	12	19	71	87	42
Mansfield	46	14	8	19	73	98	41
Stockport	46	13	10	23	65	78	36
Doncaster	46	14	5	27	50	90	33
Notts C.	46	8	13	25	55	96	29
Rochdale	46	8	12	26	37	79	28

FINAL TABLE — SEASON 1958/59

FOOTBALL COMBINATION—DIV. II

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
Bournemouth	32	20	3	9	86	46	43
Southend	32	19	2	11	71	56	40
Southampton	32	17	5	10	67	47	39
Mansfield	32	18	3	11	77	61	39
Brentford	32	17	5	10	64	51	39
Reading	32	15	5	12	64	58	35
Swindon	32	15	4	13	65	52	34
Northampton	32	16	2	14	78	75	34
Q.P.R.	32	14	6	12	65	69	34
Aldershot	32	13	5	14	65	87	31
Millwall	32	13	4	15	54	51	30
Norwich	32	11	7	14	71	68	29
Plymouth	32	11	7	14	62	63	29
Crystal Palace	32	11	5	16	37	52	27
Watford	32	8	5	19	44	67	21
Notts C.	32	6	8	18	47	78	20
Coventry	32	6	8	18	47	83	20



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