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#### **CLUB NOTES**

The new season opened on Saturday, with our hopes very high indeed. Unfortunately, our wishes did not quite materialize. However, do not let us be despondent. Undoubtedly we shall learn from our mistakes, and the newcomers will become more accustomed to one and another. Without wishing to make excuses, let us remember also that Loftus Road is not one of our lucky grounds.

During the close season last year, the New Stand project was embarked upon. Unfortunately the completion was delayed until Christmas, with a certain amount of inconvenience to spectators, and some loss of revenue. This year money has been spent on the acquisition of new players. We only hope the playing results will justify the expenditure. The playing staff consists of 24 full-time professional players, 9 part-time professionals, and 4 ground staff boys, a grand total of 38. In August 1958, our total complement was 37. Obviously, therefore, the wage-bill is as high if not higher than last season, but the overall average age of the playing staff has been considerably reduced.

At one period last year we were almost challenging for the top positions in the League. May we go one better this season, and not only challenge, but gain promotion. The earnest wish of all.

To you, the spectators, may we say "Thank you for splendid support in the past. Please continue the good work. A vast amount of money is now outstanding, both for players and the ground improvements, and we trust the playing record will enable the Club to fulfill all its commitments. May you have a happy season, and we do hope we shall see you often, both at First Team and Reserve matches."

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#### Club Notes (continued)

The visit of Barnsley this evening will revive wonderful memories for our older supporters, some of whom can still describe the two great battles between Swindon and Barnsley in the F.A. Cup Semi-Final, Season 1911-12. How Barnsley eventually defeated us by one goal, and went on to win the trophy by a victory over West Bromwich Albion in the Final. Jock Walker left full-back for Swindon is still one of our most regular and loyal supporters.

We trust we shall have the pleasure of welcoming to Swindon the Chairman of Barnsley, Mr. J. Richards, President of the Football League, and one of the outstanding figures in the Football World today.

In this, the first programme of season 1959-60, may we once again pay tribute to a fine organisation of men and women, who help the Club—the St. John's Ambulance Brigade. They give their services entirely voluntarily, and are ready to be called upon at any time.

Finally, on behalf of you all, may we say to the Manager, Trainers, and all the players "Good luck, may you keep free of injuries, and may the ball run for you."

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Tonight's team is expected to include two newcomers, both of whom appear in the forward line.

Jimmy Baxter, at inside-right, was signed for a considerable fee from Preston North End to add punch to the forward line. Before joining Preston he was a Barnsley player.

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This is our first opportunity to extend our best wishes to all at the County Ground—Directors, Management, Players and Supporters—for a happy and successful season.

We shall be undertaking our normal activities, and the Competition already appears to be likely to achieve the same success as its predecessors. We cannot stress too highly our appreciation of the continued support we receive in this direction—from our helpers, and the rank and file of our members—those good people who pay their subscriptions week by week, not so much in the expectation of gaining a prize, but with the knowledge and intention that their payments

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Those supporters who like to become members of the Club, with-

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### First Team v. Queen's Park Rangers

Burton; Higgins, Bingley; Fountain, Mellor, Tilley; Stephens, Atkins, Layne, Gauld, Darcy.
Result—Lost 2-0.

### Reserve Team v. Northampton Town

Medlock; Thompson, Chamberlain; Morgan, Hudson, Woodruff; Corbett, Hunt, Summerbee, Richards, Hoskins.
Result—Won 3-0. Scorers: Hunt, Richards (2).

### Team v. Spencer Moulton

Ayres; Woollen, Trollope; Holder, Moncrieff, Newton; Bates, Jackson, Davies, Hobbs, Wall.

Result—Won 5-0. Scorers: Bates (2), Davies, Hobbs, Jackson.

#### Team v. Luton Town

Saysom; Marks, Puffett; Reeves, Hawkins, Morris; Shergold, Woolford, Skull, Smart, Gardiner.
Result—Won 3-1. Scorer: Scull (3).

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