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CLUB NOTES

This afternoon we welcome to the County Ground, for what we think is their first visit ever, York City. After the thrills and excitement of Wednesday, we look forward to a grand game.

What a fine footballing team Grimsby proved to be. We are sure all supporters enjoyed their play, especially in the first half. Such a pity the latter stages of the game was spoiled by petty infringements and delaying tactics.

It is certainly not our intention to criticise, opponents or referees, but it seems a great pity such time-wasting can be deployed, without an apparent action, to remedy matters, being taken by the referee.

Such methods, while coming strictly within the law, obviously incense spectators, and spoil the game from the entertainment point of view.

We have this season enjoyed two rousing home games, but we would plead with all spectators not to charge on or cross the playing pitch immediately after the game. Incidents could easily occur, and that, above all is what we want to avoid. As supporters are well aware a campaign is in progress to encourage good behaviour on the part of football crowds. Please may Swindon become known for its sporting crowd. One ready to applaud good play and sportsmanship by either side. One more request, please, please refrain from throwing anything, be it paper, tea carton, or cigarette packets, on to the playing pitch at any time.

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Now, however, we find that points are also being awarded, in at least one paper, to the crowd, for behaviour at individual matches. This appears rather more serious, as the behaviour of a few irresponsible individuals could be the result of the spectators as a whole gaining bad reputations, in the minds of people in other towns, who may happen to read the report, without knowing the full facts.

Two visiting Bradford City Supporters told us recently that the Swindon Supporters were "quite sporting" and we hope that the Press regarded us in the same light. (Continued on page 11)

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