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# LEAGUE TABLES

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Huddersfield	7	3	1	3	12	13	7	Stoke City	7	2	2	3	9	10	6
Cardiff City	7	3	1	3	10	12	7	Bury	7	2	2	3	7 5	10	6
Swansea Town	7	2	3	2	9	11	7	Chesterfield	7	2	2	3	5	12	6
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Portsmouth	7	2	1	4	9	16	5	Liverpool	7	2	1	4	12	13	5
Norwich City	7	1	2	4	10	15 14	4	Manchester City	7	2	1	4	10	20	5
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#### **EDITORIAL**

### WELL DONE, SWINDON!

Welcome to-night to Swindon Town, the team which has so far been the sensation of the Second Division and which is the only unbeaten side in the section. Swindon made a brilliant start to the season with six successive victories and only dropped their first point last Saturday when they drew with Leeds United at Elland Roadno mean performance. The City team can testify that Swindon are in no way flattered by their proud position at the head of the table for the Blues were well beaten at Swindon last week by a smart combination which has conceded only four goals in seven games whilst scoring seventeen itself. At a time when so much is being written and proposed for the segregation of the Soccer classes into Super-leagues it is refreshing to see clubs such as our visitors to-night confirming the glorious uncertainty of football by proving that the cheque book is not the only way to Soccer success.

Ipswich Town proved that talk of Super League segregation is premature when they won the First Division championship two seasons ago and Swindon's current run is rubbing the lesson home. That the cheque book has come to play an increasing part in footballing affairs cannot be denied and its power is considerable. But one likes to feel there is much more to Soccer than can be reduced to mere symbols of pounds, shillings and pence and it is the feats of Ipswich Town and

Swindon which give reaffirmation of faith in that belief. It is, too, a good thing for all clubs that the less fashionable sides should have their hours of glory for the healthy future of the League competition must surely lie in the ability of the clubs as a whole to provide strong opposition for each other. The new wage deal for players has increased the tendency towards a concentration of the top quality players with fewer and fewer clubs but Ipswich and now Swindon have shown that such a concentration does not command a monopoly of results—and the game is all the better for it.

It is a matter of geography that there will always be some clubs much wealthier than their less favourably-sited League rivals but it is frequently forgotten by the Super-league crystal gazers that all clubs, rich and not-so-rich, are equally inter-dependent for the provision of a 42-match fixture list. Maybe Swindon's achievement this season will serve as a stern reminder.

Appreciation of our visitor's performance, of course, in no way diminishes the desire to see City rob them of their unbeaten record to-night. Away defeats at Swindon and Sunderland last week were, of course, always very much on the cards in view of the current form of those two teams but the side will be extra keen to get back on the winning trail again by avenging the reverse at Swindon. An exciting match seems in prospect to-night.

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#### CITY TEAMS AND RESULTS

#### LEAGUE DIVISION II

Saturday, 7th September. City 3, Leeds United 2. (H.T. 1-1). CITY: Dowd; Betts, Gomersall; Chadwick, Cheetham, Oakes; Young, Hannah, Aimson, Kevan, Wagstaffe. LEEDS UNITED: Sprake; Reaney, Bell; Bremner, Charlton, Hunter; Giles, Weston, Storrie, Lawson, Johanneson.

City: Kevan, Hannah (penalty), Young. Goalscorers: Leeds United: Johanneson, Lawson.

29,186. Attendance:

Tuesday, 10th September. Swindon Town 3, City 0. (H.T. 2-0).

SWINDON TOWN: Turner; Dawson, Trollope; Morgan, McPherson, Woodruff; Summerbee, Hunt, Smith, Smart, Rogers.

CITY: Dowd; Betts, Gomersall; Chadwick, Cheetham, Oakes; Young, Hannah, Aimson, Kevan, Wagstaffe,

Goalscorers: Summerbee, Hunt, Smith.

Attendance: 28,291.

Saturday, 14th September. Sunderland 2, City 0. (H.T. 1-0).

SUNDERLAND: Montgomery; Irwin, Ashurst; Anderson, Hurley, McNab; Usher, Fogarty, Kerr, Crossan,

CITY: Dowd; Betts, Sear; Gray, Cheetham, Oakes; Young, Hannah, Aimson, Kevan, Wagstaffe.

Goalscorers: Crossan, Fogarty.

Attendance: 39,298.

#### CENTRAL LEAGUE

Saturday, 7th September. Leeds United 1, City 1. (H.T. 1-0).

LEEDS UNITED: Harvey; Wright, Hair; Greenhoff, Goodwin, Addy; Middlemass, Henderson, Lorimer, Johnson, Cooper.

CITY: Ogley: Batty, Sear; Benson, Wood, Shawcross; Hayes, Hodgkinson, Gray, Pardoe, Connor.

Goalscorers: Leeds United: Lorimer (penalty).

City: Gray.

1,036. Attendance:

Tuesday, 10th September. City 2, Blackburn Rovers 0. (H.T. 0-0).

CITY: Ogley; Kennedy, Sear; Benson, Wood, Shawcross; Hodgkinson, Cunliffe, Hayes, Pardoe, Connor. BLACKBURN ROVERS: Griffiths; Taylor, Sims; Corson, Nuttall, Holden; Mackenzie, Bradshaw, Sandiford, Byrom, Ratcliffe.

Goalscorers: Shawcross (penalty), Hayes.

Attendance: 1.414.

Saturday, 14th September. City 1, Wolverhampton Wanderers 3. (H.T. 1-2).

CITY: Ogley; Chadwick, Gomersall; Benson, Wood, Doyle; Hodgkinson, Pardoe, Panter, Hayes, Cunliffe. WOLVERHAMPTON WANDERERS: Barron; Calloway, Harris (G.); Attwood, Hawkins, Knighton; Barton, Knowles, Murray, Stobart, Ford.

Goalscorers: City: Pardoe.

Wolverhampton Wanderers: Attwood, Barton, Knowles.

Attendance: 1,640.

#### LANCASHIRE LEAGUE

Saturday, 7th September.

Division I. Rochdale Reserves 2, City "A" 2.

City "A": Tighe; Wild, Green; Gilmore, Crompton, Lenthall; Frost, Clay, Jones, McAlinden, Burrows. Goalscorer: Jones 2.

Division II. City "B" 1, Tranmere Rovers "B" 6.

CITY "B": Dabbs; Hughes, Mullin; Fearon, Howard (G.), Openshaw; Walkden, Latham, Bates, Goddard (B.), Burns.

Goalscorer: Burns.

Saturday, 14th September. Division I. City "A" 2, Bolton Wanderers "A" 2.

CITY "A": Tighe; Wild, Green; Gilmore, Crompton, Goddard (S.); Jones, Clay, Lenthall, Gelling, Burrows.

Goalscorers: Jones, Lenthall.

Division II. Bolton Wanderers "B" 6, City "B" 4.

CITY "B": Dabbs; Mullin, Hughes; Thomas, Howard (G.), Howard (J.); Withers, Bates, Cooper, Goddard (B.), Brown.

Goalscorers: Bates, Cooper, Goddard 2.

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## **Introducing Our Visitors**

MIKE TURNER (Goalkeeper). One of several local discoveries on Swindon's playing staff, Turner hails from Bridport, Dorset. He signed professional at the County Ground two years ago, and made his first team debut in April, 1962. Last season Turner figured in 36 League games when helping Swindon to win promotion.

OWEN DAWSON (Right-back). Born at Hatfield, near Portsmouth, Dawson had a year as professional with Pompey before joining Swindon in the summer of 1962. He took over in the senior side at the end of February, following an injury to Terry Wollen, and at once created a very favourable impression.

NORMAN TROLLOPE (Left-back). Another local product, Trollope signed professional forms for Swindon when becoming 17 in July, 1960, and was in their League side a month later. He missed only two matches in his first season, and has been an ever-present in the last two seasons. Last season he shared that distinction with Keith Morgan.

KEITH MORGAN (Right-half). Morgan hails from Westbury (Wiltshire) and joined Swindon's professional staff in 1958. He got his first chance in the senior side in September that year, and established himself firmly the following season. Morgan, a strongly-built six-footer, made great progress last season.

KEN McPHERSON (Centre-half). Easily the most experienced member of the Swindon defence, McPherson used to be a centre-forward. Born at West Hartlepool, he had three years with Notts County before joining Coventry in December, 1955. From there he went to Newport in the summer of 1958, and in 1961 was transferred to Swindon, who switched him to centre-half.

BOB WOODRUFF (Left-half). Shortly after leaving school Woodruff joined Swindon's ground staff, turning professional in 1958. A local product, he made his debut at centre-forward in February the following year, also playing on the left wing and at inside-forward before settling down in the middle line. He missed only two League games last season.

MIKE SUMMERBEE (Outside-right). Summerbee was only 16 when he played his first senior game for Swindon, at centre-forward, in December, 1959. He signed professional the following year being successfully switched to the right wing. Lasts eason Summerbee, who is a native of Cheltenham, scored six goals in 37 League games.

ERNIE HUNT (Inside-right). Swindon's leading marksman in each of the last three seasons, Hunt scored 24 goals in 43 League games last season. Yet another local product, he signed professional in 1959, making his debut in October that year. Hunt netted three times in the first two matches of this season before being out with tonsilitis.

JOHN SMITH (Centre-forward). Like Ken McPherson, Smith comes from West Hartlepool, and started his career with his home-town club in 1953. He went to Watford in the summer of 1960, and twelve months later was transferred to Swindon. Last season he scored 19 goals in 40 Third Division games, and played a big part in helping Swindon to promotion.

ROGER SMART (Inside-left). The transfer of Cliff Jackson to Plymouth in the close-season, looks like providing a regular place in Swindon's team for Smart. Swindon-born, he joined the professional ranks in 1961, and first played in the League side, at right-half, in March the following year. He scored three goals in ten League appearances last season.

DON ROGERS (Outside-left). It almost goes without saying that Rogers is yet another of Swindon's local discoveries. He made a big hit in his few senior games last season, when he played in seven League matches, scoring two goals, following his debut on 17th November. He first signed professional forms in the summer of 1962.

BILL ATKINS (Inside-forward). A Midlander from Solihull, Atkins was originally with Aston Villa, but after a short spell there joined Swindon in the summer of 1961. In his first season he scored 11 goals in 24 League games, but last season did not score in his seven Third Division outings.

TOM HALLETT (Half-back). Hallett is in his first season with Swindon, having joined them from Leeds United this summer. Born at Glenneath, near Swansea, and a former Welsh schoolboy international, Hallett did not make a single League appearance in five years with Leeds. He is naturally hoping for better luck with his new club.

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## A Brief History of Swindon Town F.C.

Although originally formed in 1881 by a local vicar, it was not until 1920 that Swindon became Football League associate members, when joining the Third Division (South). Prior to that they had operated in the Southern League. The principal dates in their history are as follows, the figure denoting the second half of the season.

- 1895 Finished bottom of the Southern League in their first season there.
- 1902 The most disastrous season in their history, again bottom with only seven points from 30 games, scoring 17 goals and conceding 93. Their second team was bottom of the Western League with a mere two points from 16 matches, scoring 8 goals and conceding 53.
- 1910 Reached the semi-final of the F.A. Cup, beating us 2-0 en route.
- 1911 A much more encouraging season saw them top the Southern League for the first time, after having been runners-up the previous season. Reached the last eight in the F.A. Cup.
- 1912 In the semi-final again, losing to Barnsley after a replay.
- 1921 Finished fourth in the new Third Division in its inaugural season, this being the start of nine consecutive seasons in which Swindon were never once in the bottom half of the table. During these seasons they were twice in fourth place, once fifth, and four times finished sixth.
- 1927 Centre-forward Dave Morris topped the Southern Section of goalscorers with 47 goals in 41 League matches, which is still the club record.
- 1928 Morris again leading marksman in the Third Division (South) with 38 goals.
- 1929 Despite their long sustained consistency, public support left much

to be desired, and in October of this season the club were forced by financial stringency to announce that they were prepared to consider offers for any player on the books.

- 1930 Record receipts for the County ground set up when we visited them in the fourth round of the Cup. Figure was £2,787, which remained a record until exceeded for Everton's Cup visit in 1963. Our fourth round tie at Swindon that season ended 1-1, but in the replay we won 10-1.
- 1933 Forced to seek re-election to the Third Division for the first time finishing bottom of three clubs, all with 29 points. Conceded 105 goals.
- 1947 Fourth in the Third Division.
- 1948 In the last 16 for the F.A. Cup.
- 1949 Fourth again.
- 1952 Record attendance of 28,400 for the Swindon ground set up in a Cup-tie against Stoke City. Reached the last sixteen in the national competition.
- 1956 A very disappointing season saw the team finish bottom, only 34 goals being scored in 46 games. Reelected.
- 1957 Mr. Bert Head appointed manager mid-way through the season, in succession to Maurice Lindley, the former Everton half-back. Another successful plea for re-election after finishing next to the bottom.
- 1958 A big improvement. Occupied fourth place, only three points behind Brighton, the champions, with the best goal average in the Southern Section.
- 1963 Won promotion for the first time in their history, being runners-up to Northampton Town.





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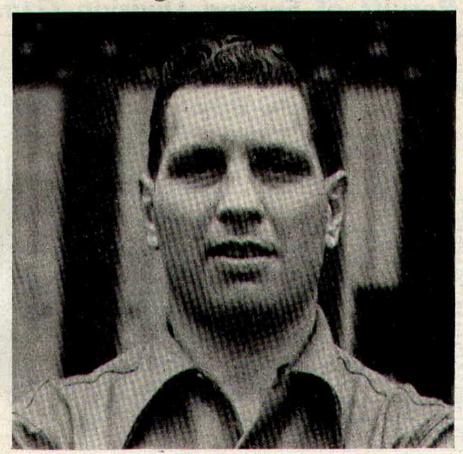
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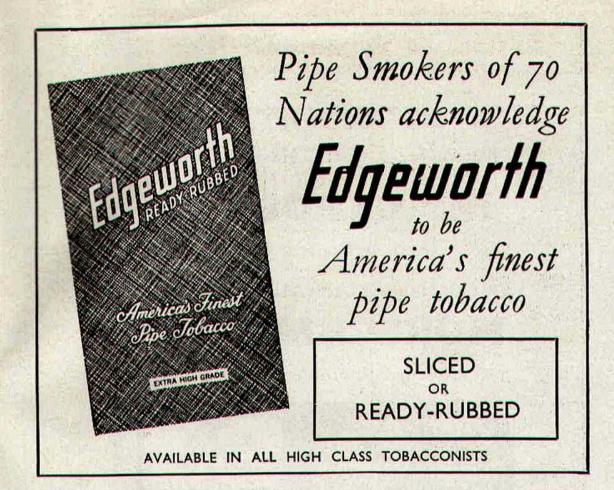
Mr. Bert Head

Many of our followers will recall Mr. Bert Head, the Swindon team manager, as a member of Bury's team a decade ago. A native of Midsomer Norton, in Somerset, he was a stalwart of the Torquay United team both before and after the war, moving on to Bury half way through the 1951-52 season, taking over at centre-half from Les Hart and later playing with equal consistency at right-back. He was appointed to his present position in October, 1956, so that he will shortly complete seven years with the Wiltshire club. At the time he took over Swindon were having something of a struggle. The previous season they had finished at the bottom of the Southern Section of the Third Division, and twelve months later they again had

to apply for re-election. The following season, however, Mr. Head had begun to exert his influence, and Swindon were in the running for promotion throughout the season, finally finishing fourth, only three points behind Brighton & Hove Albion, the champions. Gradually he gathered together a very encouraging lot of young players, but obviously it took time before they fulfilled his hopes. Last season, however, he achieved his ambition, and for the first time in their history Swindon Town won promotion, being runners-up to Northampton Town. How Swindon will fare in the keener competition of the Second Division remains to be seen, but at least they have made a very encouraging start.

# Results of Second Division Games

CLUB		Bury	Cardiff City	Charlton Athletic	Derby County	Grimsby Town	Huddersfield Town	Leeds United	Leyton Orient	CITY	Middlesbrough	Newcastle United	Northampton Town	Norwich City	Plymouth Argyle	Portsmouth	Preston North End	Rotherham United	Scunthorpe United	Southampton	Sunderland	Swansea Town	Swindon Town
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#### MANCHESTER CITY F.C. DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION

Dear Supporters,

We would like to take this opportunity of thanking all Collectors for the good work they have been doing during the Summer months and to assure them that their efforts have been greatly appreciated.

#### NEW SEASON — NEW COMPETITION

Although the existing competition has proved very successful a number of collectors informed us that they had some difficulty in maintaining regular contact with their members. With this in mind we have pleasure in launching a new competition to run alongside the old.

#### NO MEMBERSHIP FEE — SALE OR RETURN

These can be sold anywhere, anytime, all you have to do is collect a shilling for each, send or take total amount (less expenses 3s. in the pound) plus unsold coupons to the office at the ground.

We are sure, that with your help both these competitions will be a great success, and remember that every penny received by the Club will help to provide better facilities for you — the supporter.

#### GO TO IT!!

I would like further particulars of :-

(1) New Competition

(2) Old Competition

Name	**************************************	
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Please fill in and return to :-

Manchester City Development Association Maine Road, Moss Side, Manchester 14. SUNDAY, 22nd SEPTEMBER

#### ILLUMINATIONS

10.40 a.m. from MANCHESTER Victoria to

# BLACKPOOL

(Return Central 10.0 p.m.)

10.20 a.m. from MANCHESTER Victoria to

# MORECAMBE 9/6

(Return Promenade 9.20 p.m.)

SUNDAY, 29th SEPTEMBER

10.20 a.m. from MANCHESTER Exchange to

PRESTATYN 10/3 ABERGELE 11/6

COLWYN BAY 12/9 LLANDUDNO JCT. 13/3

DEGANWY 13/3 LLANDUDNO 14/-

10.30 a.m. from MANCHESTER Exchange to CHESTER 6/6 RHYL II/-

Light Refreshments available