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SATURDAY, MAY 7th, 1966

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CLUB NOTES

This afternoon's game brings back memories of our entry into Division 2. On Saturday, 26th August, 1963 we played our first match in the new league (at least for Swindon). Our opponents that afternoon—Scunthorpe United.

So that great day, to which everyone had looked forward with eager anticipation, had arrived. Many had mixed feelings. How should we fare in better company? Could we hold our

own or suffer many defeats?

No one, not even our most enthusiastic supporters, anticipated the fantastic start. Probably too good a beginning; as is so well known, we gradually faded and today meet Scunthorpe

again, but this time in Division 3.

Harking back to the actual game, Swindon won by 3 goals to nil, but in the return encounter at Scunthorpe on the 14th December, the tables were completely turned, as the home side on that occasion won by 3 goals to nil. Incidentally, at that time Swindon occupied fifth position in the league table with 29 points from 25 games, while Scunthorpe was bottom but one, with 15 points from 22 games, and unfortunately were relegated at the end of Season 1963-64.

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Swindon's team for the opening game of the season was: Turner; Dawson, Trollope; Morgan, McPherson, Woodruff; Summerbee, Hunt, Stevens, Smart, Rogers.

Scunthorpe's read as follows: Reeves; Horstead, Brownsword; Lindsey, Neale, Gannon; Hutton, Hodgson, Lawther, Smillie, Crawford.

I wonder how many of those players will be appearing in today's match. This promises to be very keen, as our opponents have an outstanding away record: Played 20, Won 10, Drawn 2, Lost 8, Goals for 32, Against 33. They currently hold tenth position in the table, and Swindon occupy fifth position, and who themselves hold their best away record for many years: Played 22, Won 8, Drawn 4, Lost 10, Goals for 30, against 29. Fewer points but a better goal average.

Scunthorpe are comparative newcomers to League football, in fact it was not until 1950 that they were elected to Division 3 (North). Eight years later at the end of Season 1957-8, they gained promotion to Division II with a total of 66 points from 46 matches They remained in this division until 1964.

The question of a super league is again being discussed by the national Press, and the well-known sport writers. The economics of professional football is now such a complex problem that one wonders what the final outcome will be. To those of us who think of Swindon Town F.C. as our own club, whatever we might be—directors, players or supporters—it would be a tragedy if the present set-up of the League football came to an end. Watching other matches, be they World Cup, Cup Final or Division I, do not give to us the same thrill, the same excitement, joy or even disappointment as watching one's own team.

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Unfortunately, the present wage structure could lead to most of the outstanding players joining one of about eight of the leading and wealthiest clubs in the country. The matter would then almost resolve itself. It would, however, be a great pity. Football would be played in a few of the large cities. It could lose its present country-wide appeal. Interest could wane, clubs would be less in number, with the consequent reduction of the number of players required. Be that as it may, most people in football today maintain that league football, played each Saturday, is the life-blood of English football. Football in this country has a fine tradition. It is part of the way-of-life of the real Englishman. Let us not be side-tracked by the so-called glamour of European football for the favoured few.

Weather permitting, Pinehurst Youth Centre will give a Gymnastic Display on Tuesday next—the date of the Grimsby game—beginning at 7 p.m. It should provide real entertainment. We trust spectators will come early to see this demonstration and encourage these young gymnasts.

OUR VISITORS

SCUNTHORPE UNITED F.C.

SIDEBOTTOM, GEOFF (Goalkeeper).

Signed on transfer from Aston Villa midway through last season, and quickly established himself as a firm favourite. Born at Barnsley, he started his professional career with Wolves, before moving on to Aston Villa.

WILSON, ALAN (Goalkeeper).

In his second season with Scunthorpe, having joined them from Scotland. Tall and reliable, he is a capable player who has quickly settled down in English football.

HORSTEAD, BARRY (Full Back).

Scunthorpe's longest-serving player, he joined the club from Brigg Town after completing national service. Started as a full back, moved to centre half, and has also played at wing half. A native of Brigg.

HEMSTEAD, DEREK (Full Back).

Joined Scunthorpe straight from leaving school and has developed through the nursery sides. Has now plenty of first-team experience and is one of the younger players on whom the club relies. Born Scunthorpe.

HARPER, IAN (Full Back).

Part-time professional who had a longish first-team run last season, and proved his worth with some sound displays. Originally a wing half back, and yet another of Scunthorpe's big group of local players.

LINDSEY, BARRY (Inside Forward).

Can also play at wing half. A hard-working player who has consistently commanded attention from the scouts. A clever ball-player who has developed quickly to first-team standing. Another player straight from a Scunthorpe school, and was in fact Scunthorpe's first-ever apprentice.

LINDSEY, KEITH (Full Back).

Younger brother of Barry, he turned in some convincing reserve-team displays last season. Strong tackler. Full of enthusiasm. Born Scunthorpe.

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NEALE, PETER (Centre Half).

Joined Scunthorpe as an inside forward or wing half from Oldham Athletic in 1958. Converted to centre half with outstanding success. A native of Derbyshire and a hard-tackling defender.

BURROWS, FRANK (Wing Half).

Joined Scunthorpe in the close season from a Scottish Second Division club, Raith Rovers. Captain Raith Rovers, has been a regular first-team player for four years.

BURKINSHAW, KEITH (Wing Half).

Joined Scunthorpe from Workington in the close season, his signature being secured against strong competition. Was given a free transfer by Workington, who wanted to sign him as a player after the end of his player-manager contract. Born Higham, Yorkshire and was with Liverpool before joining Workington.

SMITH, BOBBY (Wing Half).

Signed from Manchester United last March, and quickly established a first-team place. A former England youth international and a hardworking player. Born Manchester.

SCOTT, DICK (Wing Half).

Signed from Cardiff City last season, and was previously with Norwich City. Has also played well for Scunthorpe at inside forward. Tall and strong on the ball, Scott was born in Thetford, Norfolk.

HUTTON, JACK (Wing Forward).

Starting his third season at Scunthorpe. Signed from Hamilton Academicals for a big fee. Best known on the right wing, where he gained a first-team place last season.

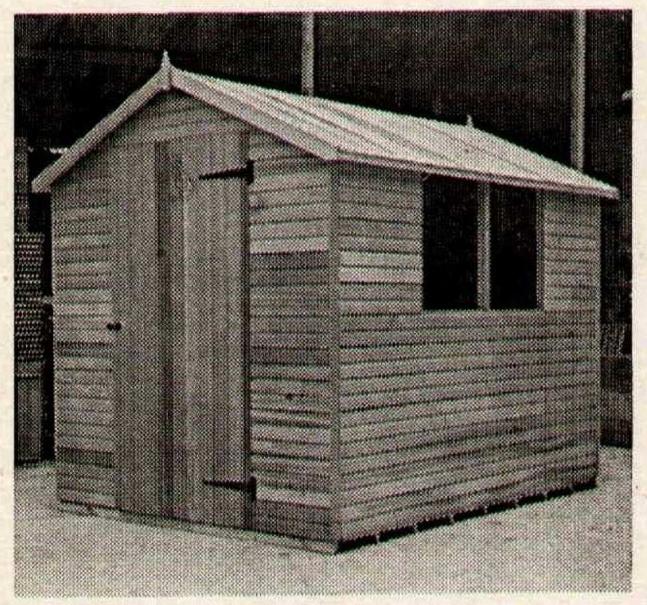
COLQUHOUN, JOHN (Wing Forward).

Signed in close season from Oldham Athletic, where he was used as a utility forward. Fast and clever, has made much progress since leaving Scotland.

THOMAS, BARRIE (Centre Forward).

Rejoined Scunthorpe last season for a big fee from Newcastle United, to whom Scunthorpe sold him for £40,000 three years ago. Former Youth international, was with Leicester City and Mansfield Town before joining Scunthorpe.

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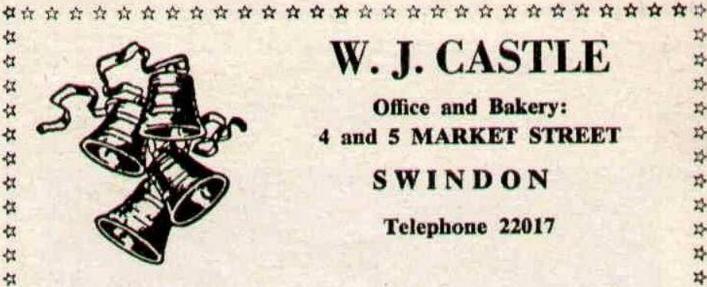


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BRAMLEY, STUART (Inside Forward).
This 18-year-old player came up through Scunthorpe's junior team, and played well in senior games last season. Can also play on the wing. Born Scunthorpe.

SLOAN, DAVID (Inside Forward).

Joined Scunthorpe two years ago from Irish club Bangor City, and got an Irish Under-23 cap after only six Football League games. A goal-scoring forward.

MAHY, BARRY (Inside Forward).
In his third season with Scunthorpe, after joining them from the Channel Islands. A capable inside forward.

BROWN, MONTY (Centre Forward).

After a spell as a part-timer, signed full time for Scunthorpe last season. Can play in any forward position, and did well in first-team football when called on last season. Native of Scotton, Lincolnshire.

COATSWORTH, FRED (Inside Forward).
A 17-year-old player who was signed as a professional during the close season, after being watched in Lincolnshire league football. A native of Lincoln.

APPRENTICES

FOXTON, GRAHAM (Full Back). Signed from Harrogate.

BATTEN, GREGORY (Half Back). Signed from Sheffield last season.

WELBOURNE, DONALD (Half Back).
Signed from Scunthorpe. Younger brother of Watford's Duncan Welbourne.

BARTON, FRANK (Centre Forward).
Had three games with first team last season and is considered to be a most promising player. Born Barton-on-Humber.

VERITY, DAVID (Inside Forward).
Signed from Halifax. Played for Yorkshire Boys.

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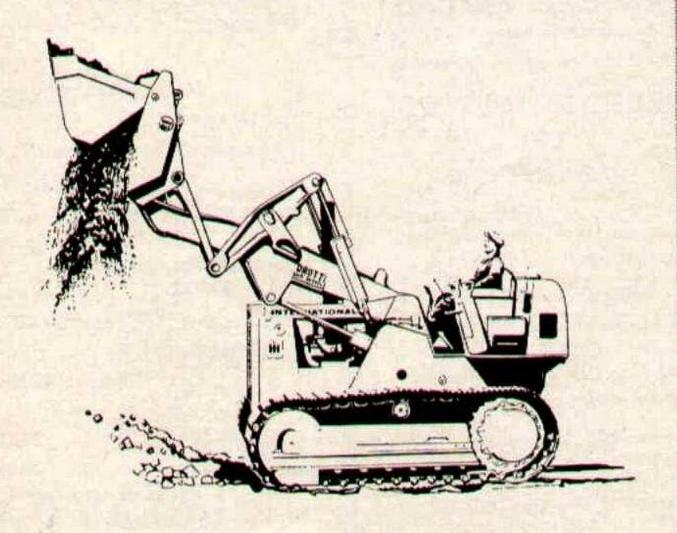
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SUPPORTERS' CLUB NOTES

As promised in last Tuesday's Notes, here is some more information about Nat Prosser's benefit match on Monday, 23rd

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B. Trautman (ex-Manchester City and Germany, Stockport County manager); W. Gray (Millwall manager), J. Mansell (Rotherham manager); T. Docherty (Chelsea and Scotland), J. Adamson (Burnley and England, Burnley assistant manager), D. Williams (Swindon Town manager); T. Cavanagh (Brentford manager), R. Bentley (England, Reading manager), M. Owen (Swindon Town and England 'B'), J. McIlroy (Ireland, Oldham manager), T. Finney (Preson North End and England).

P. Downsborough (Swindon Town); O. Dawson (Swindon Town), J. Trollope (Swindon Town); K. Morgan (Swindon Town), M. Nurse (Swindon Town and Wales), R. Woodruff (Wolves and Swindon Town); M. Summerbee (Manchester City and England Under 23), E. Hunt (Wolves and England Under 23), J. Smith (Brighton), J. Crossan (Manchester City and Ireland), D. Rogers (Swindon Town and England Under

23).

Kick-off will be at 7.30 p.m., and I hope all will appreciate

that there may be an enforced change here and there.

Whatever the result of the game at Brighton had on supporters who went to the match, at least everyone enjoyed a glorious day for the Supporters' Club annual outing. The arrangements, as usual, were in the capable hands of our Social Secretaries, Mr. and Mrs. Ranger and, as usual, all went smoothly. After travelling to Brighton by coach (in time for lunch at Brighton and allowing time for light refreshments at Winchester), most of us went to the match. As the buses left Brighton at 9 p.m. for the return journey, there was plenty of time for individuals to separate and enjoy themselves in their





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individual ways. After returning more or less in convoy, we reached Swindon around 1 a.m. on Sunday morning.

Our football section is looking forward to next season's Sunday League competition. Anyone interested in playing in the Supporters' Club team next season is asked to contact Mr. I. Hayward, either in the Committee room or at 19 Beechcroft Road, Upper Stratton.

After the most successful Beatball at the Moonrakers, another is being arranged for Wednesday, 25th May, same time, same place. For this dance we hope to have "The Misc" Group engaged. Further details will be published in future programmes. Book the date now.

At the monthly Committee on Monday last, 2nd May, Mr. T. Stenning confirmed his intention to take a rest from the organising of our weekly Competition. His work in this important part of our activities cannot be too highly praised, and I include Mrs. and Miss Stenning in this tribute. After eleven years—most of it in partnership, as it were, with our last promoter, Mr. F. Deane, there is no doubt that a rest has been well earned. After a lengthy discussion, arrangements were made for continuity to be maintained until a more permanent appointment can be arranged. To this end, I would like to ask any supporter who has a modicum of free time, an interest in the work of the Supporters' Club and future well-being of the parent club, with a flair and experience for organisation, who would be agreeable to take on the post, to contact our General Secretary.

All of us were delighted to see Harold Brown at last Tuesday's match. Harold had an unfortunate accident some weeks ago and has just returned home from the Princess Margaret Hospital. We are all looking forward to his complete recovery and return to his Committee work.

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January 1	GILLINGHAM	(A)	0_1
8	HULL CITY	(H)	3_1
15	PETERBOROUGH UNITED	(A)	3-2
22	(3) COVENTRY CITY	(H)	1-2
29	OXFORD UNITED	(A)	3-0
February 5	SWANSEA TOWN	(H)	2-2
12	(4) BRENTFORD	{H}	2-1
19	WALSALL	\A\	0-5
March 5	(5) BRENTFORD BOURNEMOUTH & B.A.		1-0
15	MILLWALL		1 0
19	SOUTHEND UNITED	(H)	4 0
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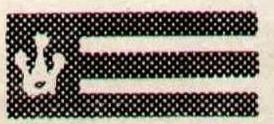
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Watford	42	17	11	14	53	47	45
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