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## IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT

Football League Cup

4th Round

# SHEFFIELD UNITED V WALSALL

### WEDNESDAY 26 OCTOBER

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Harry MIDDLETON

Gerry SUMMERS

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### Swindon Town

Blue shirts

Tony HICKS
Joe BUTLER
John TROLLOPE
Keith MORGAN
Mel NURSE
Dan HARLAND
Willy PENMAN
Dennis BROWN
Jimmy LAWTON
Roger SMART
Don ROGERS

Keith EAST

L. C. Newsome (yellow flag)
L. K. Sale (red flag)

### BUTLERS BITTER

### forthcoming attractions

SATURDAY

22 October

OXFORD UNITED

Football League

Kick-off 3-00

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WEDNESDAY 26 October SHEFFIELD UNITED

Football League Cup 4th Round Kick-off 7.30 AT BRAMHALL LANE GROUND, SHEFFIELD

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29 October

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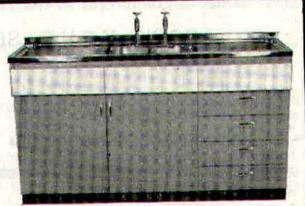
Harry was born in Birmingham. He is married and lives in the Lichfield area.



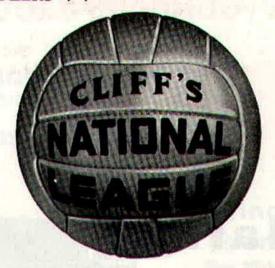
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# introducing our visitors

### THE CLUB

HISTORY

Swindon Town Football Club (nicknames Robins -Town - Railwaymen) was founded in 1881. The club adopted professionalism and joined the newly formed Southern League in 1894. It figures as one of the few

non-League clubs who have reached the semi-final of the F.A. Cup which feat it

accomplished in both 1910 and 1912.

The Robins are founder members of the Third Division of the Football League. They, along with 20 other members of the Southern League First Division, successfully applied en bloc for membership as a Third Division during season 1919-20. Honours include Runners-up, Division III, 1962-3.

RECORDS

The record attendance at their "County" ground is 28,400 v Stoke City, F.A. Cup, 4th Round, 2 February, 1952. Record League goalscorer, H. Morris, 47 goals, Division III(S), 1926-7. Record victory: 10-1 v. Farnham United Breweries (A), F.A. Cup, 1st Round, 28 November, 1925. Record defeat: 1-10 v. Manchester City, F.A. Cup, 4th Round (replay), 25 January, 1930. LAST SEASON

Their last season encounters with the Saddlers resulted in a 0-0 draw at their County ground and defeat 0-5 at Fellows Park. The final Division III League table for season 1965-6 shows the club in seventh from top position with the following record:

Goals Against **Points** For Drawn Lost Played Won 51 48 19 46

### NOTEWORTHY PLAYERS

GOALKEEPER

Peter DOWNSBOROUGH. Born Halifax. Signed at the commencement of last season from Halifax Town where he was a product of local football. A fearless agile player who has done much to strengthen the Town's defence.

FULL BACKS Joe BUTLER. Born Newcastle. Joined Swindon from Newcastle United in 1965. A tenacious player whose speed and ability amply compensate for his lack of inches. Owen DAWSON. Born Hatfield. Joined the club from Portsmouth four years

ago and has been a regular First XI player ever since. A Youth International.

John TROLLOPE. Born Swindon. Joined the Swindon ground staff from school. Was selected for the First XI when he was 16 years old in season 1960-1 and was ever present during that season.

HALF BACKS Stan HARLAND. Born Liverpool. Signed during the closed season from

Carlisle United. A strong attacking wing half.

Keith MORGAN. Born Trowbridge. A tall fast attacking player who progressed through the club's junior teams after joining the ground staff at the age of 16.

Mel NURSE. Signed from Middlesbrough at the beginning of last season. A strong forceful player whose experience has done much to strengthen the defence. A Welsh International.

Jimmy GILES. Born Kidlington. A versatile player who also fills the centre

forward spot with distinction.

FORWARDS

Dennis BROWN. Born Reading. Joined the club from Chelsea for a very large

fee in November, 1964. Fast, with a deadly shot.

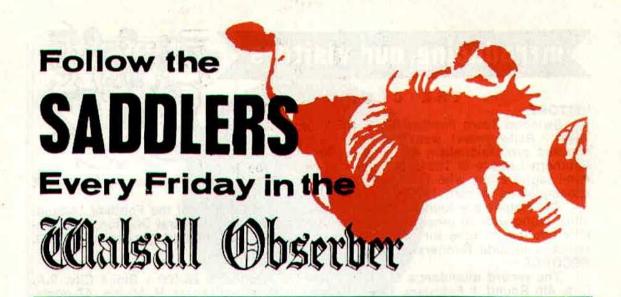
Keith EAST. Born Southampton. Joined the Town from Portsmouth in 1964. Last season's top goalscorer with 25 goals.

Jimmy LAWTON. Born Middlesbrough. Signed from Darlington after an impressive display against the Town in the Football League Cup last season. Scored 25 doals for Darlington in season 1964-5.

Willy PENMAN. Signed 6 weeks ago from Newcastle United. A native of Scotland and formerly with Glasgow Rangers. Fast with a good shot in either foot.

Don ROGERS. Born Paulton. A player of outstanding ability who has long been the target for many First Division clubs. Played for the England Youth team and also the England Under-23 XI.

Roger SMART. Born Swindon. Another local player who joined the club direct from Swindon Schoolboys' team. At 17 he was regularly appearing at centre forward in the Second XI.



# An announcement regarding match programme sales

Supporters will probably be interested to learn that the Walsall 34th Methodist Scouts, whose Headquarters are at Bescot Road, have been appointed sole agents for the sale of match programmes under the supervision of Mr. and Mrs. B. Parkes, of 18 Gower Street, Walsall, and their Assistant, Mr. Ian Perry.

None of these young men and boys or their supervisors derive one penny of personal gain from their efforts. EVERYTHING they earn, and it is relatively considerable, goes to swell the coffers of their splendid organisation.

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### in retrospect

or Peeks Into The Past by W. B. ROWLINSON (Formerly Sports Editor of the 'Walsall Observer')

### CHAPTER IX

The story of the magnificent wind-up of the season 1896-97 had another outstanding feature besides the winning of the Birmingham Senior and Charity Cups with victories over the Wolves and the Aston Villa team which had done the F.A. Cup and the Football League Championship double.



Actually Walsall achieved a treble performance which has certainly never since been done again in the history of our own club and may never have been equalled by any other club outside the First Division of the League.

In the semi-final of the Birmingham Senior Cup Derby County, then second to the Villa in the League, had been beaten. So, altogether, "Little Walsall" conquered in succession three of the strongest clubs in the country—and all away from home at that.

If the season had been correspondingly successful financially, the satisfaction of those responsible for keeping the club going would have been complete. So far from that being the case, however, the accounts presented at the annual meeting showed a loss on the year of £308, the income being £1,374 and the expenditure £1,682, including £1,034 for players' wages.

In the circumstances it needed courage to continue the fight, but Alderman Joseph Noake, who had already done a lot for the Club, agreed to carry on as president, and a committee was appointed, with Mr. Louis Ford, who had joined Walsall from West Bromwich Albion, as Secretary.

In the hope of increasing the income, it was agreed to issue members' tickets at 6/- for the unreserved portion of the ground, 10/- for the reserved side, and 21/1/- for vice-presidents, and as an economy measure the reserve team was discontinued.

To be continued

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# Walsall supporters' club

NOTES AND NEWS by BERNARD JOHNSTON

It will be realised that these notes were written before our Annual General Meeting took place last night. Consequently a short report of the meeting will appear in the programme next Saturday but for full reports and pictures supporters should read this evening's local papers and "The Walsall Observer" on Friday.

COACH TRIPS

In addition to the special train being organised by The Football Club to Walsall's League Cup match at Sheffield on Wednesday, October 26, the Supporters' Club are running several coaches direct to the ground. The fare for adults is 12/6, Juniors 8/6 and the coaches will leave Delves at 3.15 p.m., Pleck 3.20 p.m., Walsall 3.30 p.m. and Bloxwich 3.40 p.m.

On Saturday week, October 29, the Saddlers are away to Bristol Rovers when the coaches will leave Bloxwich at 9.20 a.m., Walsall 9.30 a.m. and Pleck 9.40 a.m.

The fare for adults is 12/3 and 8/3 for Juniors.

Coach tickets are available at the Sales Kiosk at the Hillary Street entrances on match days and at 61 Bradford Street on Wednesday and Friday evenings and Saturday mornings.

THE BALL STUNT SPECIAL COMPETITION
Tuesday, October 11—Walsall v. Gillingham
09570 J. Cockayne, 9 Coronation Road, Walsall Wood £16 16s. 0d.
98261 Not yet claimed £5 0s. 0d.
01622 G. Wolfe, 60 Hansacre Crescent, Rugeley Match Ball
"THE SADDLERS' CLUB ANGLING SECTION"

The Angling Section held its first contest on Sunday, October 9, at Bicton, on the River Severn. There were 19 competitors all of whom caught fish and had a very enjoyable day despite the early morning fog.

The winner of the contest was Mr. G. Perry, in second place was Mr. S.

Sawyers and Mr. A. Hackett was third.

The next contest will be on Sunday, December 4, at Pentre, near Shrewsbury. Further details can be obtained from the Section Secretary, Mr. A. Hackett.

**NEWS IN BRIEF** 

The Supporters' Club Football Team played Oldham Supporters' Club away on Sunday and lost 6—1. It seems "six" is a popular score at Oldham these days! World Cup Programmes are available at the Sales Kiosk at the Hillary Street entrance, price 2/6 each. Supplies are limited.

Christmas Cards are again available this year from the Supporters' Club offices

at 61 Bradford Street, or from any Pool Agent.

Extra attractions at the Saddlers' Club include Music for Dancing on Friday evenings and music by a local group on Sundays from 12 noon until 2.0 p.m.

Saddlers' Club Tote. Winning numbers on Sunday, October 16, were 6 and 19. Prize money £125 0s. 0d.



### lucky programme number

Vº 1450

Programme No. 16
15 October v Bournemouth
No. 1072
Not yet claimed.

LISTEN at half-time for today's "Lucky Number". This will be announced over the loudspeakers and the holder of the programme bearing the number, together with a friend, are cordially invited to be the guests of the Directors at the next first team home match. The holder may either apply in person to the Club's office for the official invitation or post the programme to the Club together with name and address and the invitation will be forwarded.

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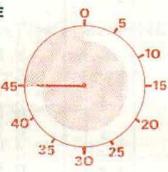
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