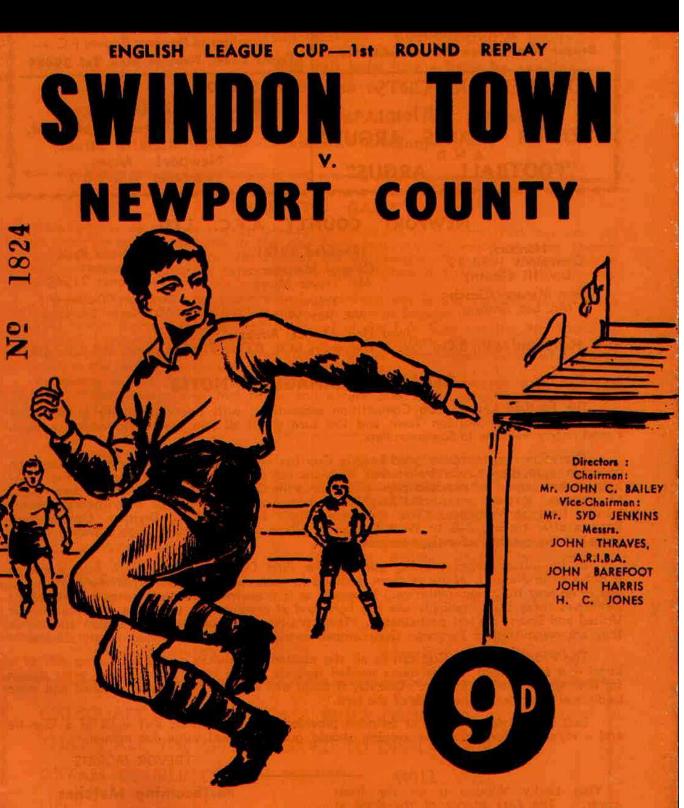
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GENERAL MANAGER'S NOTES

The Football League Cup Competition presents us with this opportunity to play host to old friends from Swindon Town and I'm sure you'll all join me in extending to them a most hearty welcome to Somerton Park.

The originally much maligned League Cup has steadfastly proved its many virtues, the opportunity to meet Clubs from other Divisions not being the least of them. This Competition has gained tremendous popularity both with Clubs and fans during the past couple of years and reached unexpected heights last season, climaxed by that magnificently entertaining final at Wembley. The courageous fight back of Third Division, Queens Park Rangers after trailing 2-0 to West Bromwich Albion and the general high standard of the game was the greatest advertisement possible.

In its initial stages the big guns of the First Division eyed it with cold suspicion if not a little disdain. Many of them declined to enter with the result that the competition was in no way truly representative. However, as it grew in status and carried with it added incentives these clubs gradually saw the light and at present only two clubs, viz. Manchester United and Spurs, are not participants. Their position, of course, is quite understandable as they are committed to European Cup competitions in which we wish them every success.

The Football League Cup carries all the excitement, shocks and giant killing acts of a knock-out tournament, brings much needed revenue to the clubs and provides extra games for both spectators and players. One day it could well vie with the long established and more traditional F.A. Cup in the minds of the fans.

Last week's drawn game at Swindon provided the usual thrills and spills of a Cup-tie and a repeat performance this evening should guarantee real value for money.

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This evening we have very great pleasure in welcoming to Somerton Park our very old friends from Swindon Town who in the past have been our opponents in many stirring encounters in the Third Division. On Tuesday last we brought off a very satisfactory draw at the County ground where our defence put up a grand show to contain the eager Swindon forwards.

The last occasions the two teams were in opposition was in the 1961/62 season when the County drew 2-2 at Somerton but lost the return game at Swindon 0-3.

Last season Swindon reached the 5th Round of the F.A. Cup and the 4th Round of the Football League Cup Competition. In the Third Division Swindon field the 3th

the Football League Cup Competition. In the Third Division, Swindon finished in 8th position with 51 points from 46 games, only 4 points behind Middlesboro' who gained promotion to the Second Division with Queens Park Rangers.

Appearing in the Swindon line-up tonight will be former Somerton Park favourite Pat Terry, Welsh International Mel Nurse and winger Don Rogers who has been watched by many First Division Clubs.

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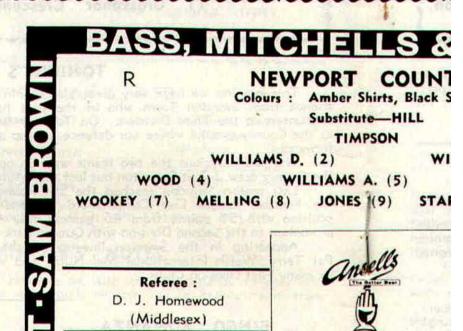
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DAVID WILLIAMS

Local born David Williams commenced his footballing activities at Corporation Road School, where many players of ability have learned their trade. David played for the town team and in the Newport and District League before graduating to the County professional staff through the County Youth and Reserve teams. A utility player, at first he played in a number of positions in the league side in fact he made his league debut against Swindon at Outside Left. Having now settled into the full-back position, David was last season the most improved player on the County books and was considered by many experts as the fastest and one of the best full backs in the Fourth Division. His speed and manoeuverability make him an ideal full back in the 4-3-3 line-up due to his ability to overlap in the forward line and his quickness in recovery.

During the summer he is a member of the St. Michael's, Newport Baseball Team, who operate in the Welsh Baseball League.

His ambition is to play in a higher grade of football and to be chosen to play for Wales, a selection that would be welcomed by the club officials and supporters.

Married with two daughters, David's main hobbies are gardening and watching sport. His musical appreciation is varied but his favourite singer is Frank Sinatra.

Programme Jottings

The third pre-season trial at Rexville featured Harry Robinson, former Burnley and Blackpool player who has since signed for the club

Drew 0-0 Lovells

Weare, Cook, Davies P, Hill, (Cooper), Walters, Smith A., Haines, Pugh, (Young). Toozer, (Daniels), Robinson, Smith G.

The league programme commenced on 19th August and it is the intention to include in each programme details of matches played since the last programme.

League Divis'on IV

v. ROCHDALE (Home) Drew 1-1 Timson, Williams D., Wilson, Wood, Deacy, Rowland, Wookey, Melling, Jones D., (Hill), Stark, Thomas. Scorer: Melling. Attendance 4,848

League Cup (Round 1)

v. SWINDON (Away) Drew 1-1 Timson, Williams D., Wilson, Wood, Williams A., Rowland, (Hill). Wookey, Melling, Jones D., Stark, Thomas. Scorer: Opponent (own goal) Attendance

10,870.

Welsh League (Premier Division)

v. TON PENTRE (Away) Lost 0-3. Weare, Cook, Collins, Cooper, Walters, Smith A., Haines, Pugh, Davies P., Robinson, Smith G. Sub. Young.

v. S.W. SWITCHGEAR (Home) Won

Weare, Cook, Walters, Cooper, Davies P., Smith A., Haines, Smith G., Pugh, Robinson, King, Sub. Young.

Scorers: King (2) Pugh.

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CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE

Sorry I missed sending the usual pre-season greeting, but so many Officials of the County had so much news to impart that we ran short of space in the new look programme.

which I trust you enjoyed reading.

My first point is a word of thanks to the Officers and Members of Newport County Supporters' Club for all the splendid work put into 1966-67, and to express the hope that the 1967-68 campaign is going to be more enjoyable and rewarding for everyone. The first essential of a Supporters' Club is Membership, and for the modest sum of 2/6d. you not only become a part of us, but in doing so, become a partner of, and entitled to use the excellent facilities available at Somerton Park.

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The second point is no less important, let's encourage the players during the game, the Chap who is not finding things easy needs your help. He knows just as well as those who are watching that more effort or something different is needed, and your help could provide the spur that will bring about the desired result. We have seen two games so far, against Rochdale a not entirely satisfactory game, and at Swindon in the League Cup, a game that had everything, and in which both teams gave all they had for 90 minutes, and those who saw the game were delighted with the result and the spirit shown, the return game should be well worth seeing. The Officials of the Swindon Town Supporters' Club gave us a very warm welcome, and their system of sections, each controlling a part of the activities, is the same as that operated by our Club.

We look forward to meeting them again at the replay on August 29th.

Two buses conveyed part of our Supporters who travelled to Swindon, and they really enjoyed the evening, and it was a great pleasure to have been with them on this trip, who

say's Football Supporters' cannot behave, Our's Can.

Now we have started on the long trail which lasts until May, 1968, changes on the Management and Playing side have been made, and the affairs of the Club are for the first time having the benefit of constant direction. Playing Staff have new faces, and we trust are going to have a long and happy stay with the Club, with better reserve strength to call on, the outlook looks very much brighter, so what is missing to make this a good one for the County.

Being one of the 11,000 crowd at Swindon last week, with all the noise, baracking cheering and singing (part excepted) it must have been very stimulating to the players, and I think contributed to the non-stop fare provided. This is the important contribution lovers of soccer in and around Newport can make in a practical way by coming along and adding your voice of encouragement, and financial support, in the efforts already made by the Board of Directors.

Lets see you again on the 2nd September-Ladies and Gents, Boys and Girls. Yours in Sport,

W. A. ROWLANDS

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